THE DOGS ARE RUNNING—Miss Mary Davidson (left) and Miss Barbara Anderson (right) were chosen recently by Southland Greyhound Racing [illegible] for the season to represent the Negro contingent at the West Memphis (Ark.) race track. Miss Davidson, 20, is a native of Philadelphia, and [illegible] of John R. Arnold Jr., who is the first Negro to represent a major dog race track as public relations coordinator, handling public relations and assisting in advertising affairs for the track. Miss Anderson, 19, is a recent graduate of Henderson Business College. Southland racing season opened June 27 and will continue until Oct. 3[illegible]

Thompson, Fisk, on [illegible] board

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Athletic Director H. B. (Bill) [illegible] named to the basketball committee of the National [illegible] Association [illegible] marking the first time a citizen [illegible] has been [illegible] on this NAIA committee.

After accepting the invitation from [illegible] President [illegible] said, "I certainly consider this one of the high honors of my [illegible]. I am extremely happy to work with the other committee members toward achieving the goals which mean so much to intercollegiate athletics."

NAIA in its aims and objectives and in its overall program seeks to establish the athletic program of the nation's smaller colleges and universities on a sound, educational basis, both in the districts and in the national competitions.

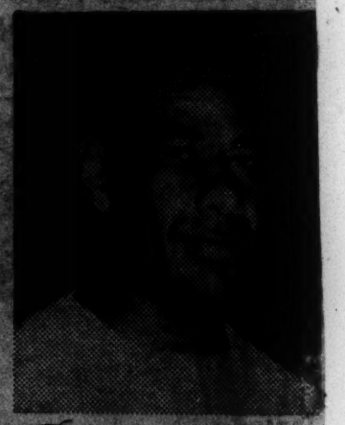
The Association is composed of approximately 450 colleges and universities in the United States, Hawaii and Alaska.

change of pace

By BILL NUNN JR.

(Guest Column by Ric Roberts)

WHEN THE NEWS ROOM telegraphic ticker delivered a report that gigantic, handsome Edward Adams, pride of Tuskegee's last great football teams, circa 1929-1932, collapsed and died while in line of lecture duty, at Texas Southern University, the realization suddenly grew that the intercollegiate heroes of the first free-born American Negro generation (1881-1910) are well on their way . . . toward the sombre line.



Edward Adams

Adams, whose last-ditch, 72-yard forward pass wrecked Alabama State, 6-0, in the waning moments of the 1932 Turkey Day renewal, was one of the first SIAC cagers to utilize height and heft (6 ft. 5 in., 235 pounds) to "rebound" smaller rivals into submission. In recent years, Adams' well-coached TSU basketball teams were listed among the national elite.

The list of the late names, among those who lifted Negro intercollegiate football from Octavius Roy Cohen absurdity, in 1910, to $100,000 Orange Blossom Classics, today, are terribly disquieting.

THAT GOLDEN YESTERDAY, now shadowed by the contradicting ideal of integration, would have been far less intriguing without the contributions of the vanished Major Cleve Abbott, Fay Young, Henry Arthur Kean, Tubby Johnson, Major Harold D. Martin, Jimmie Lunceford, Newt Cobb, Ernie Hughes, Jack Coles, Lucius Jones, J. C. Chunn, Jimmy Perry, Red Barney, W. A. Scott and Juby Bragg; and now the [illegible], steel-strong hands of Adams, too, are folded, forever.

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CAPITAL CLASSIC OFFICIALS were exasperated in August because negotiations for the D. C. promotion on a red hot CIAA football rivalry went awry. In some dejection, they settled for the North Carolina College-Shaw University engagement which, in 1957, saw the Eagles win, 13-12.

The two teams came up to the 17th Capital Classic on Saturday night, at Washington, D. C., in Griffith Stadium, this week, with no less than the most important CIAA contest of the season, to date. Both teams being undefeated, the clash will be a strong factor in establishing the eventual 1958 CIAA overlord.

Thus, for only the fourth time in 17 Capital Classic years, two unbeaten forces invade D. C., to make the game have truly championship significance. The precedents were Morgan versus Tuskegee Army Air Field (1944), Tenn. State versus W. Va. State (1947), and Tennessee State versus Maryland State (1956).

IF WILLIE GALIMORE had graduated, as he did, from Florida A. and M. and retired, short of a professional career, his name would have entered Florida annals only on a part with those of the late Juby Bragg (deluxe triple-threat QB, whose 58-yard 1926 dropkick is tops, minority-wise), and Blue Dean Everett (he raced to 21 TDs, each in excess of 50 yards) and Stanley Strachan (dazzling southpawing fullback), and Hank Butler (probably best QB of minority annals).

Playing for the Chibears, however, Willie's gleaming, fleeting figure bids for a place alongside Red Grange, Ollie Matson, Joe Perry, Beattie Feathers and all the other "darlings of the gods."

The annual Double-R season opens this week, and the sports desk herewith admonishes you alert PR men to see that your scores are filed immediately following the final whistle of every game.

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THOUGHTS WHILE REMINISCING—Why only two Negro major leaguers (in a total of 10 World Series with N. Y. Yankees teams, extending all the way back to Jackie Robinson's 1947 debut) have managed to connect for home runs in the home that homers (Babe Ruth) built? Hank Aaron blasted a 420-footer there in 1957, and Junior Gilliam did the same in the opening game of the 1953 event. That's all, pals; two HRs in 372 Yankee Stadium at-bats!

Among the American League all-timers, only Babe Ruth, Jimmy Foxx, Ted Williams, Hank Greenberg, Joe DiMaggio, Al Simmons, Rudy York, Bob Johnson and Yogi Berra have hit more career-wise homers than Larry Doby.

Don Newcombe, whose two-year tally (1955-1957) recorded 47 wins, 12 losses, for highest two-year pitching invincibility, in more than 120 National League seasons, suddenly cannot retire even the big tent hangers-on. After 38 scoreless 1956 innings—EVERYBODY CLUBBED HIM IN THE W. S.

Don Larsen, who has not won 47 games in 10 years of in-and-out big league play, suddenly becomes so overwhelming in W. S. play, NOBODY CAN HIT HIM. In other words, solid performance is crowned with thorns, while the maladroit is finally robed in the ermine and gold of absolute monarchy.

Negro Boy Heads Harvard Boating Team

Boston,—Negroes, accustomed to participating in most of the major spectator sports, are finding new worlds to conquer, as evidenced by Mario Bryan, of St. Thomas, V. I., first Negro member of a Harvard university rowing team. The 117-pound youth is coxswain of the 8-man 150-pound crew which last year won the Eastern boating championship, and earned an invitation to compete in the English regata last July.

Members of the crew have expressed no unwillingness to be led by the spindly Virgin Islander. Coaches attribute this partly to Bryan's being so "down-to-earth." After his team won the Eastern championship, Bryan took an oar and helped them row the half-mile home, the first time a Harvard coxswain has pulled an oar.

"Mario has always been just another one of the guys to us," said one coach, "not someone making history."

Bryan attended prep school in his native Islands, and decided to become a coxswain at Harvard, because, at 5 ft. 3 in. and 97 pounds, he was too small for other sports. He had no crew experience, but he learned fast. Varsity Coach O. J. Brown said of him:

"Bryan has done a good job for us. He's a smart and conscientious coxswain."

Giants' Mel Triplett Recalls Farm Toil in Childhood

By HOWARD M. TUCKNER

"I worked that farm from sunup till sundown. Sometimes I fell asleep on the porch and never went to bed at all. It made a man of me, but if I never see that farm again it will be too soon."

Those are the words of Mel Triplett, the starting fullback for the football Giants. He was born on "that farm" in Indianola, Miss., twenty-seven years ago and spent his first thirteen years there.

They were "miserable" years and Triplett prefers to forget them. But when he talks about them, he says, it reaffirms his belief that playing professional football is the "easiest work" he's ever had. He'll have some of that "easy" work today when the Giants meet the Steelers at Pittsburgh.

"When I was 6 years old," he says, "I was working a plow with two mules. When I was 9 I worked a plow and four mules just like my father. When worktime came we forgot about school. Football? It was only a word to me. All I knew was cotton, cotton, cotton. I'd probably still be there if not for those tornadoes."

Tornadoes Ruin Crop

In 1944, Triplett recalls, a series of tornadoes hit Indianola, ruining the cotton crop. His family moved to Girard, Ohio, where his father found work in a steel mill. It was difficult at first for Triplett to become accustomed to city life and to Ohio's compulsory school regulations.

"I had been used to working so hard," he said, "that I couldn't wait to become 16 so I could quit school and go to work in the mill. The men were earning $1.25 an hour there, and on the farm we'd have to work a full day to make that much. And school in Ohio was pretty rough for me. The other kids teased me because I was two years older than my classmates. But the book work started to come easy and I didn't mind being teased."

Football also became a part of Triplett's life at that time. One day his older brother—Mel is the second-oldest of seventeen children—went to high school football practice and Triplett accompanied him. The coach asked Mel if he wanted to try out for the team.

"I told him that it looked like rasslin' to me," Triplett said. "So the coach said, 'Okay, wanna rassle?' I told him I'd try. He gave me a helmet and some shoulder guards, put two of the biggest men on the team in front of me and told me to fight my way past them and get the man with the ball.

"I knocked one forward, the other back and got the ball carrier. The coach said, 'You sure you never played football before?' I told him I hadn't. He asked me to try it again. This time the player I knocked back I pulled forward and vice versa. Then I got the ball carrier."

With that, Tripplett said, the coach stopped practice and raced him against the team's fastest backs. Triplett won the race. The next day the coach gave him a new uniform. He's been a football player ever since.

When he was graduated from Girard High School in 1951, Triplett received twenty-six offers of college athletic scholarships. He decided to attend the University of Toledo rather than a more famous football school because, as he put it, I thought it would be best to be a big fish in a little pond."

But there was another reason. Triplett married when he was a sophomore in high school. He was the father of two children when he enrolled at Toledo and he had to work after school to support his family. He was told by Toledo officials that they would help find employment for him and that his program would be arranged to enable him to study during the day.

During the season he worked at a metals company from 11 P. M. to 7 A. M. and in the off-season from 3:30 P. M. to 11 P. M.

"I was dead tired all the time," he said, "but I couldn't afford to miss practice. If I had, they would have canceled my scholarship."

By the time Triplett had entered his senior year, his wife had had their third child and was expecting another. His wife, Gladys, gave birth to their fourth child (they now have seven) during the football season. That created a problem.

"When my wife was in the hospital," Triplett said, "I took the children to practice with me. The only one I had trouble with was Walter, who was 18 months old. I would bring along a blanket and put him to sleep behind the goal post. My other children watched him while I practiced. One day my little girl ran out on the field and said, 'Daddy, we need you.'"

Walter, it seems, had a diaper problem.

Excels as Blocker

Since joining the Giants following his graduation in 1955, the 6-foot 1-inch, 215-pound athlete has become known for his hard running and blocking. Because of his ability to wipe out would-be tacklers, Triplett has been used mostly to clear the path for other Giants.

"Frankly," said Triplett, "I'd rather run than block. Blocking in this league is no picnic. Most of the time I have to knock down ends and linebackers who outweigh me by as much as forty pounds.

"But every time I'm reminded of those years on that farm I know how lucky I am now and thank the Lord for making me a professional football player."

Mel Triplett, right, with Coach Jim Lee Howell of Giants

The New York Times

'High-Class Kid': "If only I could win a game or two," moaned rookie pitcher PRESTON BRUCE JR. The 21-year-old Bruce, son of a White House doorman, is the Negro lad President EISENHOWER spotted as a "darn good pitcher" and recommended to Pittsburgh Pirate board chairman BRANCH RICKEY, who promptly signed him up. Now at Rickey's Salem, Va., farm club, the 6-foot 5-inch Bruce isn't doing so well. He has beaned as many as four batters in one inning and tied the Appalachian League record, walking 17 men in one game. His record in 7 games played, 14 innings pitched: 11 hits, 27 runs, 19 earned runs, 11 wild pitches, 6 hit batsmen, 19 strike-outs, 40 bases on balls. "Bruce is a real high-class kid," manager Larry Dorton laments. "It hurts you to see a kid with so much stuff be as wild as he is."

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1957 Highlights In TheWorld Of Sports

JANUARY:

- Gene Fullmer outpoints Sugar Ray Robinson for the middleweight crown.
- Texas Christian university whips Syracuse, 28 to 27 in the Orange Bowl. Jim Brown stars for the losers.
- Althea Gibson beats Shirley Fry at Manly, Australia in the Australian Women's singles championship at tennis.
- Jackie Robinson announces his retirement from baseball.
- Iowa State Cyclones beat Kansas U. Jayhawks 38 to 37 as Wilt Chamberlain gets only 13 points.
- Lincoln High school of Kansas City, Mo., moves to the top of the city scholastic league by defeating Paseo.

FEBRUARY:

- Shirley Fry gains revenge on Althea Gibson by defeating her at Melbourne, Australia.
- Tennessee State cuts Jackson College of Mississippi 21 game winning streak off with an 84 to 81 victory.
- Joe Brown beats Bud Smith for the world's lightweight title.
- Texas Southern wins SW loop crown whipping Langston twice, 112-75 and 99 to 63.

MARCH:

- Bethel AME girls team wins Kansas City's league title.
- Tennessee State wins the Midwestern loop basketball crown.
- Lincoln High wins Kansas City scholastic basketball title.
- Jackson College forced to withdraw from NCAA tourney because of Mississippi law.
- Tennessee State wins district 29 of NAIA beating Winston-Salem, 101 to 80. Heads for NAIA finals in Kansas City.
- Tan boxers dominate winners circle in Chicago Gloves meet.
- Tennessee State wins NAIA by defeating SE Oklahoma 92 to 73.
- Texas Southern loses in quarterfinals to Pacific Lutheran.
- K. U. Jayhawks lose to North Carolina in a three overtime championship NCAA game.

APRIL:

- St. Elizabeth of Chicago wins a version of the National high school championship at Nashville.
- Tennessee State girls capture National AAU track meet.
- Floyd Patterson fights John Mederos in Kansas City exhibition bout.
- Boston Celtics led by Bill Russell wins NBA professional cage crown.
- Holly Mims drops what he calls a hometown decision bout to Jackie Beecham.

MAY:

- Willie Stevens of Texas Southern sets new hurdle mark in Drake Relays.
- Tennessee State girls win own track meet.
- Iron Liege wins the Kentucky Derby from Gallant Man.
- Harlem Magicians end season with 287 straight wins.
- Langston quits Southwest Conference.
- Tennessee State wins MWAA track meet.
- Chuck Smith of Colorado U. is outstanding athlete of Big Seven Track Meet.
- Tennessee State honors 98 at all sports banquet.

JUNE:

- Jackie Robinson awarded Dr. of Laws degree at Howard U.
- Percy Williams and Libby Mallory win the 4th annual Dan Matthews golf tourney in Kansas City.
- Gene Fullmer outpoints Ralph "Tiger" Jones.
- Harry Simpson traded to the New York Yankees along with Art Ditmar, Bobby Shantz and Enos Slaughter.
- Reggie Pearman wins AAU 440 event in record time.

JULY:

- Willie Mays, Hank Aaron and Frank Robinson are named to start in the all-star game for the National league.
- Althea Gibson makes history at Wimbledon when she wins the women's singles title.
- Midland Braves invited to compete in Kansas State baseball tourney.
- Elton Granberry wins Central States golf championship.
- Althea Gibson wins National clay court singles title, defeats Darlene Hard.

AUGUST:

- Spine injury ends baseball career of Roberto Clemente of the Pittsburgh Pirates.
- Mary Etta Fine wins KCK singles title at tennis. She and her sister, Eva Belle Bracy win doubles; then she teams with Earl Cole to win the mixed doubles.
- Lee Calhoun, Olympic track star weds college sweetheart. Gwen Bannister on TV and loses his amateur standing.
- Althea Gibson aids the United States women's team to win the Wightman cup.
- Tennessee State Tigerbelles sweep the AAU track meet with 143 points. Wilma Rudolph and Willie B. White lead the way.
- Althea Gibson wins the Essex tournament, Louise Brough is finals victim.
- Lowell Perry named Pittsburgh Steeler offensive coach and scout.
- Kansas City bowlers invade Omaha.
- Amateur champ Rademacher loses to professional champ Floyd Patterson in a mix-matched heavyweight championship bout by a six round knockout.
- George Stewart and Gwen McEvans win men and women's singles titles in the American Tennis Association meet at Wilberforce, Ohio. Ex-titlist Althea Gibson who abdicated the title to play in major events, plays an exhibition match at the tourney.

SEPTEMBER:

- Monarch Bowling alleys reopened after being repaired from fire damages.
- John Madison Basey catches some big fish at Shur Catch.
- Sugar Ray Robinson becomes involved in hassle with IBC over television proceeds for coming fight with Carmen Basilio.
- Ted Rhodes wins the UGA golf tourney.
- Althea Gibson wins the United States women's singles crown.
- Willie Galimore, ex-Florida A. & M. star romps to three TDs in Bears exhibition victory over the Steelers.
- Hank Aaron's hit puts Milwaukee Braves in the world series against the New York Yankees.
- Basilio whips Sugar Ray Robinson for middleweight crown he regained from Gene Fullmer.

OCTOBER:

- Lincoln U. 14, Arkansas State 0.
- Wiley slaughters Bishop 46 to 0.
- Tennessee State, 1956 National champs barely eke out a tie with North Carolina A. & T. The flu is blamed for their cancellation of games with Langston and Grambling.
- Lew Burdette is world series pitching hero for Milwaukee as they win it from the Yanks 4 games to 3.
- Wiley beats Texas Southern 12 to 6.
- Sumner High of KCK loses to St. Joe Military 25 to 19.
- Lincoln downs Kentucky State 32 to 25.
- Sumner loses to Ward, 26 to 6.
- Charley Sifford, golf pro wins the Long Beach tourney, becoming the first tan player to win a major golf event.

NOVEMBER:

- Wiley is stunned by 19 to 19 tie with Mississippi Vocational.
- Lincoln U. wins 7th straight, N. E. Oklahoma is victim, 38 to 7.
- Predict Jackie Robinson will make Hall of Fame
- Tennessee recovering from flu beats Southern 33 to 14.
- Wiley downs Langston, 21 to 7.

- Tennessee State tramples Prairie View 32 to 7.
- Texas Southern downs Grambling 59 to 14.
- Kansas City A's trade Billy Martin, Tim Thompson, Lou Skizas, Gus Zernial, Tom Morgan and Maury McDermott to Detroit for Bill Tuttle, Duke Maas, John Tsitouris, Frank House, Jim Small and two other players to be named.
- Tennessee State stops Mo-Cats streak, 26 to 6.
- $1,000,000 offer for Willie Mays spurned by Giants. St. Louis made the offer.

DECEMBER:

- Tennessee State beats Kentucky State 38 to 0 to win MWAA.
- Hank Aaron visits The CALL office.
- Paseo "Y" defeats Topeka Carver "Y" at basketball.
- St. Joe Central defeats Lincoln High in NKC tourney.
- Wilt Chamberlain scores 1,001 collegiate point for K.U. in victory over California. The Jayhawks face K-State in the finals of the pre-season Big Eight tourny after whipping Oklahoma and Iowa State. K-State beat Missouri and Nebraska.
- Jim Brown wins NFL ground gaining title in his work with the Cleveland Browns.
- Florida A. & M. defeats Maryland State in Orange Blossom classic to win National Football championship.

Negro Sports Stars On Male Athlete Roll

September 26

The 1957 Associated Press Male Athlete of the Year Awards named five Negro sport stars representing basketball, football, baseball and boxing. None were among the first place listings but Kansas basketball ace, Wilt Chamberlain placed sixth with 52 points; Jim Brown, power running rookie for the professional Cleveland Browns football team, was eighth with 40 points; ninth was heavyweight boxing champion Floyd Patterson with 34 points, Bill Russell, pro basketball star of the Boston Celtics, was eleventh with 27 points and Milwaukee's Hank Aaron was thirteenth with 14 points.

The winners were chosen by 214 sports writers and sportscasters using the point system. Three points were given for a first-place designation, two for second and one for third. Boston Red Sox Ted Williams won first place.

Previous Negro winners of the award were Joe Louis in 1935, track man Jesse Owens in 1936, and Willie Mays in 1954.

Officials Answer Temple Charge

Eastern Regional at Charlotte Will Be Integrated Tournev

Times 2-18-58

CHARLOTTE, Feb. 17 (AP) — There will be no segregation for players in the National Collegiate Athletic Assn. Regional Basketball Tournament here next month—and no segregation of the audience that watches them.

That statement came from tournament officials today on the heels of an announcement from Philadelphia that Temple University's sixth ranked team would not play if three Negroes on the team were separated from their teammates.

"It would disrupt the morale of our squad to have the boys separated," said John Cody, Temple athletic director.

Not News.

Chet Welchel, chairman of the NCAA Eastern Basketball Tournament committee of Charlotte's Chamber of Commerce, said:

"Arrangements have been made for months to take care of all the teams in the same facilities.

"This is not news to Mr. Cody."

Tom Scott, athletic director at Davidson College and chairman of the NCAA tournament at Charlovte, said:

"I have talked to Josh Cody at great length when I was in Philadelphia last month for an NCAA meeting and I explained to him then that players positively will not be separated.

"I think it's all starting out of New York. They want Temple at their National Invitation Tournament — Temple has a prize team and one of the best players in the country, a Negro boy named Rodgers. They would draw very well in New York.

"They're trying to make Temple disappointed with us so they'll not come here, but go to the NIT.

Bound by by-laws.

"But I have talked to NCAA officials and Temple is bound by by-laws to come to the NCAA if they win in their conference (Middle Atlantic Conference).

"There won't be any segregation of the audience either. We sold that thing out by mail early in September. Who the tickets went to, we don't know.

"We didn't ask. We just took ticket orders. Blocks of tickets were saved for the teams and those people will all sit together."

Coliseum audiences have not generally been segregated.

Besides his statements about player segregation, Cody claimed the tournament planned to segregate its audience.

"When I talked to Cody," Scott said, "he was concerned about fans and families of players. Now they won't be segregated while they watch the games, but they will be segregated in hotels, of course.

"But the players will not be segregated in any way."

Matter Settled.

Welchel, commenting on Cody's statements, said Charlotte would never have been awarded the tournament unless the segregation matter was settled.

"We knew it would come up. We made arrangements to have the players all together before we even made our bid for the tournament."

In general, Negroes do not stay at white hotels or eat in white restaurants in Charlotte.

As most teams have during other Charlotte basketball tournaments, NCAA players will stay together at a new motel near the Coliseum. They will eat together at an adjacent restaurant, one of Charlotte's most popular.

Dutch Lonborg, athletic director at the University of Kansas and head of the NCAA basketball tournament committee, checked the facilities and arrangements personally before placing the tournament here.

Entertainment.

Besides making arrangements to have the teams sleep and eat together, the committee planned entertainment without regard to race.

Feeling coaches would prefer activities close to the Coliseum, the committee leased adjacent Ovens Auditorium and arranged for first-run movies to be shown during non-game hours. Teams also will have the use of the sumptuous lounge in the Auditorium.

"We had to satisfy Longborg on that score (no segregation) before we could even get consideration," Wetzel said.

Cody said the decision to hold the Eastern Regional tournament in Charlotte has placed all potential tournament teams from the Northeastern United States in an untenable position.

Injunction Issued Against 1956 Law On Segregation

By SHELBY SCATES

NEW ORLEANS — (UPI) — A federal district court here Friday ruled Louisiana's law forbidding racial mixing in athletic events unconstitutional and casts a new light on last minute Sugar Bowl plans.

A three-judge court issued an injunction against enforcement of the segregation law but a state law prohibiting the mixing of spectators remained in effect.

The injunction is effective immediately and will presumably remain in effect unless otherwise ordered by the court in the event the decision is appealed by state officials.

Sugar Bowl officials, who must choose a team to play against Louisiana State in the Jan. 1 post season game, declined immediate comment on new plans for the selection committee.

They apparently have been working under the assumption the athletic mixing law was valid and have sought only contestants with no Negro players. Until Friday this appeared to leave only Southern Methodist and Clemson in contention for the other Sugar bid.

PLANS INDEFINITE

Claud (Monk) Simons, president of the Mid-winter Sports Assn., which sponsors the bowl game, said the executive committee of his group would meet with their attorney Friday.

"Until we get together and discuss the matter full, I just can't say what we will do. I don't know," explained Simons who still plans to watch Clemson play Furman Saturday in Clemson, S. C.

The federal court's decision is based on a suit filed by Negro light heavyweight boxer Joseph Dorsey, Jr., who maintained the law "jeop-

But it is football that the state law has effected the most at this time and particularly the Sugar Bowl which tries to reach outside the South for standout opponents to match against the Southeastern Conference champion.

The segregation law touched off a small furore in 1956 when Army declined to come here for a scheduled game with Tulane. The official objection was over the law requiring segregated seating of fans.

Tulane played the game at West Point.

"ized" his ring career.

The law put a temporary crimp in the boxing career of welterweight Ralph Dupas shortly after it was passed. For a while, Dupas was prevented from boxing in Louisiana while the athletic commission delved into his racial background. A group of individuals charged that Dupas was of Negro ancestry — a charge he vehemently denied.

The case was brought to trial in New Orleans civil district court and the judge ruled in favor of Dupas.

FOOTBALL EFFECTED MOST

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RE-ELECTS HENDERSON 6TH TIME

CIAA seeks policy stand of major athletic groups

Pho American P. 14

WASHINGTON

Dean Thomas H. Henderson of Virginia Union University, Richmond, was elected president of the 18 - college Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association for the sixth time at the close of the 46th annual meeting at Howard University Saturday.

Re-election of the Union University educator and the CIAA's secretary - treasurer, George G. Singleton, Virginia State College, Petersburg, is considered a vote of confidence in the administration's ability to guide the CIAA though "the transition to full integration."

Early in deliberations of the three - day sssion, delegates expressed concern about NAIA and NCAA practices of handling CIAA basketball tournament entries. Delegates agreed to petition the two major associations to issue a statement of policy regarding their stand on integrating more completely colored cage entries.

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T. H. E. JONES, veteran assistant - secretary - treasurer, was re - elected along with Henderson and Singleton.

Also re-named were commissioners R. D. Armstrong of Rocky Mount, N.C. football, and F. G. Burnett of Durham, N.C. basketball.

Other officers are Manuel Rivere, Lincoln University, Pa., first vice president; Joseph E. Thompson, St. Paul's College, Lawrenceville, second vice president; and Dr. I. G. Newton, N.C. College, Durham, N.C., third vice president.

Dr. W. H. Robinson, NCC, was renamed chairman of the Eligibility Committee.

The conference established a commissionership in "other sports" under the direction of R. L. (Rip) Barco of Norfolk, Va.

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IN ADDITION to declaring itself dedicated to extending democratic sports participation at national levels, the CIAA also declared a sustained policy of careful self-study.

A step in the direction of improving the conference and modernizing its philosophy and practice was seen in the progress report of a committee to study possible division and another that empowered the present Membership Committee to encourage more independent institutional self-study.

Dr. Herman M. Neilson of Hampton Institute announced that athletic directors had recently organized a series of workshop sessions designed to improve their work with their respectiye colleges. Dr. Samuel Barnes of Howard is first chairman of the athletic director group. Prof. E. Preston Mitchell III, Delaware, is secretary.

W. M. Bell, A. and T. College, Greensboro, is chairman of the committee charged with studying possible division of the 18-college CIAA.

Bell's committee Saturday recommended action for 1959.

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AT A SPECIAL memorial service Friday afternoon, three CIAA pioneers, J. W. Whitehead, Benjamin Washington, and John H. Burr were eulogized. The three died since the 1957 session.

The conference declined to change its present policy of participation in both NAIA and NCAA basketball tournaments.

Substantial agreement was reached on proposals from the Council of CIAA Presidents calling for a change in required football games from six to four with six required for championship consideration.

The conference also agreed, in substance, to the presidents' desire to substitute baseball for track as a major sport.

A recurrent emphasis throughout the session called for each school to participate in each sport to its maximum potential.

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THE CIAA and the COP apparently will continue to arbitrate regarding the controversial 15 - 40 aid to athletes plan. This plan calls for schools to limit financial assistance to an amount paid by 15 regularly enrolled students and which would not be extended to more than forty athletes.

Harry R. Jefferson of Berean School, Philadelphia, honorary president, installed newly elected officers and served as chairman of the Committee on Committees.

The CIAA also raised fees for basketball and football officials. In basketball, the amount was raised from $15 to $20 and football from $25 to $30 for regular season games, $40 for Thanksgiving, and $50 for promotional games.

Officials in the basketball tournament, formerly paid $75, will be raised to $100.

Sylvester R. Hall of Washington, newly elected president of the 500-member Affiliated Board of Officials, made the increase presentation for his group.

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ONE OF THE highlights of the closing session Saturday morning was the presentation of Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, Union University, Richmond, and the Council of CIAA Presidents.

Noting the CIAA's displeasure with the COP's 15 - 40 plan, Dr. Proctor urged the conference to "submit an alternative proposal that recognizes the realities which confront the presidents."

The youthful Union chief executive also urged the coaches and athletic directors "to get close enough to your president to let him know what's in you mind. Interpret fully your point of view to him.

"Stop assaulting the Council of CIAA Presidents. When you criticize the Council, you criticize your president. Make your president a convert to your point of view if you can."

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OFFICIAL championships declared included baseball, Maryland State; basketball, visitation and tournament, A. and T.; football, Maryland State; swimming, Howard; tennis, Hampton and NCC (tie); track, Morgan; wrestling, Virginia State.

Committee appointments included: committee on committee: H. R. Jefferson; basketball tournament, L. D. Smith; recommendations: J. E. Lytle; certification of officials, Jack Brayboy; aid to athletes: Dr. Thomas P. Frasier; audit: A. I. Terrell:

Baseball: Tom Johnson; wrestling, coach of the host institution; tennis, Dr. N. Neilson; track: L. H. Bennett; statistics: Dr. L. T. Walker; eligibility: Dr. W. H. Robinson: NAIA representative: T. L. Hill; NASC, H. R. Jefferson: golf: Coach T. L. Harris, Va. Union.

The CIAA's 46th session also changed the pairings at tournament cage events. Future schedules will see teams one vs. eight, two versus 7, three versus 6, and four versus 5.

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THE CIAA also encouraged member institutions to become affiliated with the American Tennis Association.

Concerning the NAIA, the CIAA agreed to petition:

(1) That the NAIA further implement its established practice of progressive democratic participation in all phases of its activities by assigning teams in District 6 and District 2 that are located in "Border States" geographically and philosophically on an integrated basis;

(2) That the NAIA be requested to make some statement of policy in the bracketing of teams participating in the NAIA tournaments;

(3) That the CIAA consider participating in the NAIA District baseball playoffs, in the national NAIA May 23 and 24, and the National NAIA baseball tournament, June 4, to 7, 1958 at Sul Ross College, Alpine, Texas.

As Best In Their Fields

Althea Gibson, Ernie Banks Win 1958 Top Honors

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Atlanta Wire

(From Wire Services)

NEW YORK—Althea Gibson and Ernie Banks took top honors in their sports fields, by winning over all other competitors, it was revealed Friday.

Miss Gibson, the temporarily retired queen of tennis, has added another glorious chapter to her life's story by being chosen the outstanding female athlete of 1958 in the annual Associated Press year end poll.

Atlanta Ga.

Banks, of the Chicago Cubs wound up the year in fine style when he added the slugging crown to his home run and buns batted in titles and his National League most valuable player award for 1958.

Miss Gibson, one time tomboy of Harlem, received 133 first place votes out of a possible 202 counted on a basis of three for first place, two for second place, and one for third place.

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Carol Heiss, 18-year-old World figure skating champ, was a distant second with 21 first-placers and 199 points and golfer Beverly Hanson was third with 10 first-place votes and 126 points.

Banks came by his newest laurel, the slugging championship, when official league averages showed that he compiled a .614 figure by collecting 379 total bases in 617 times up.

That gave him a clear-cut margin over Willie Mays of the Giants, who was runnerup in slugging, with a .583 average. Hank Aaron of the Braves was third with .546 and Frank Thomas of the Pirates and Stan Musial of the Cardinals were tied for fourth and fifth places with identical marks of .528.

Banks couldn't have had a better year if he had ordered it beforehand. His total of 47 homers not only led the National League, but also set a major league record for the most homers ever hit by a shortstop in a single season. He also paced the circuit with 129 runs batted in while registering a .313 batting average.

For the second straight season, Richie Ashburn of the Phillies led the league in walks with 97. Ashburn also won the batting championship with his .350 average.

Gene Green of the Cardinals grounded into the most double plays, 24. Toughest man to double was Jim Davenport of the Giants, who grounded into four twin-killings.

The league strikeout title was won" by Harry Anderson of the Phillies, who fanned 95 times.

In team slugging, the Cubs finished on top with .426, followed by the Giants with .422. The Cardinals finished last with a .380 average.

SPORTS OF THE WORLD

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BY MARION E. JACKSON

The SIAC Track and Field Championships, which premiered in Atlanta in 1938, will observe its 20th Anniversary, Friday and Saturday on the Atlanta University Athletic Field. Many of the records established at the inaugural meet are still on the books . . . Major League baseball now travels coast-to-coast via the giant airliners, but U. S. railroads gleefully note that safety statistics are in their favor. During '57 there were only 18 fatalities on American railroads . . . Rain and cold weather have put the "danger" sign on Southern Association attendance . . .

The State of Massachussets used the typical judgement of the timid and spineless politicians in handling the rock 'n' roll riot which unfolded at the Boston Arena. The Casper Milktoasts solved a juvenile problem by banning a vastly popular form of American music from its public halls and gymnasium. This is truly not the Stars and Stripes way of handling our culture nor our offsprings. . . . .

The solution is the same type of sham and fraud which the hysterical and gutless purists have used in prep athletics where the youngsters get out of hand. These Fraidy Cats believe that by 'cutting out' they remove the cause. This is the most ridiculous type of reasoning.

The Boston rock 'n' roll riot ought to be blamed on the police department there which sought to spell out rules of conduct for the show AFTER IT GOT UNDERWAY. There was no positive thinking or planning on the part of the police department before the music with a beat began.

Allen Freed, a disk jockey, is well known to hepcats in the New England area. He has regularly stopped traffic at New York's Paramount Theatre and other jive emporiums. A real hip kitty, Freed assembled musicians who play jungle-language gut bucket. The kids responded with the call of the wild. Why not! Rock 'n' roll is just about the closest thing to the primitive and nature itself. There is something which makes us want to shed our protective covering and more back into the tribal chant. Somewhere, somehow, we lock arms with cultures of all ages who have used the dance, the chant, the ritual and song for expression. Our kids feel what their parents did years ago in going through the routines of minuets, square dance, the Charleston, Hucklebuck, and the Susie-Q.

ATLANTA HAS FACED THE SAME PROBLEM—Each year when Herndon Stadium opens its gates to the high school football games and the hoodlums and delinquents pulldoze their way on the premises there is an outcry to "stop night football games." There are several hundred orderly kids and their parents in the stands, but a few white-livered outlaws are permitted to badger a whole town.

Well, we never join the hit parade that cry out cutting out night games, but have taken the more sensible view that better policing is needed. I've got a hunch that some of my advice has been taken. There was a lunatic fringe that once huddled on the sidelines and interfered with the spectators vision as well as play. Last season, alert and efficient patrolmen hustled the mobsters off to jail, got them fined and put on probation and broke up the practice.

OUR NEGRO POLICEMEN did one of their finest jobs as peace officers in breaking up the roving gangs which molested citizens and property after the games. Good law enforcement is the No. 1 barrier to juvenile delinquency. The patrol cars kept a wary eye on Hunter Street until the troublemakers were dispersed and the foot patrolman kept law and order in the stands. There was a great deal of liason between Board of Education authorities, the college security detail, and the high school faculties. I think there were few instances of violence in the Herndon Stadium area last season.

AMERICA IS GOING TO HAVE TO LIVE WITH ROCK 'N' ROLL just the same as our parents did with the six-week bicycle races, the Walkathons of the early Thirties, and those marathon dances, which drew crowds throughout the U. S. The kids will never get hep to the old jazz of the late Jimmy Noon, Chick Webb, Jimmy Lunceford, and Fats Waller nor that of Erskine Hawkins, Count Basie, Duke Ellington and Lionel Hampton, for that matter.

However, the kids do understand Jerry Lee Lewis, Elvis Prestley, Little Junior Parker, Fats Domino, LaVern Baker, Bo Diddley, Jimmy Reed and Paul Anka.

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Nowadays, the kids talk about the Cha-Cha, the Samba, and other hep-gaited beats. You couldn't get them to pay a plugged nickel to hear the squares and longhairs of pops or rhythm and blues.

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CAN YOU BLAME THE KIDS? Since their parents did the Charleston Fox Trot, Susie-Q and the Hucklebuck, there has been the Korean Police Action, the launching of the Sputnik, Vanglard.

We must not become a nation which solves its problem by turning its back on disagreeable situations. Massachussetts has taken the easy way out by banning the Allen Freed Show at New Haven and Troy State College.

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In Atlanta, we have taken a Holier Than Thou attitude about popular music shows playing the City Auditorium. How silly can the City Fathers get. We should never ban anything which has mass appeal to so many thousands. Our Georgians, white and Negro, like the popular music, but through subterfuge and evasion we have somehow tied this form of amusement to the segregation issue.

It is time for thinking Americans to sit down and reason with rock 'n' roll to live up to responsible conduct on the stage as well as at the turnstiles. Think what would have been the fate of W. C. Handy, George Gershwin, Paul Whiteman, Bessie Smith, Ida Cox, Ma Rainey, Lil Green and other blues stylists if a quarter of a century ago, we had taken the same attitude. There would have been no "Beale Street Blues, Memphis Blues or St. Louis Blues."

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And suppose the NCAA cut out football because Auburn, SMU, Seattle, Washington, UCLA, Southern California, broke the letter and spirit of the athletic code. If football was outlawed in the fashion that Americans are treating rock 'n' roll, then we would be deprived of many thrilling Saturdays. And suppose major league baseball call it quits because players throw beanballs or engage in fights. We are an immature people, who believe that cutting out a form of entertainment, solves the acute emotional problems of our young.

Tigers Boycott Set for June 1

Courier P.28

DETROIT—An audience of slightly more than 350 persons met last week at the Central Congregational Church, Linwood and Hogarth, and vigorously approved the Briggs Stadium Boycott Committee's plan to begin a boycott, coupled with picketing the baseball stadium on June 1, if Detroit Tigers officials have not hired or brought up from its farm system a capable Negro player.

The crowd also heard the committee's chairman, the Rev. George Hill Jr. disclose he has received a number of threats and veiled hints "from a number of Negroes who called and want me to call off the boycott."

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AMONG THOSE speaking at the meeting were Atty. Milton Henry, Pontiac Councilman and a noted civil rights fighter, who gave the principal address; the Rev. Charles A. Hill (no kin of the committee chairman), pastor of Hartford Avenue Baptist Church; Shelton Tappes, UAW-CIO International representative; Atty. Fred K. Persons, and Mrs. Katie Montgomery, officers of the committee, and State Senator Basil Brown (D., Detroit).

Brown said the refusal of the Tigers baseball company to hire a capable Negro is "ugly situation." He declared that, "the company can't be public on the one hand and semi-private on the other."

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Henry said, "The Detroit Tigers belong to the people of the state . . . our country can't hold itself up as a leader of democracy so long as situations (such as the Tigers) exist."

The Rev. Charles Hill said, "It's time we made it known that no longer will we tolerate a status of second-class citizenship . . . let us integrate the ball club while we are fighting to integrate schools in the South."

A committee meeting was set for late last week to "iron out details of boycott strategy," the Rev. George Hill said.

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Ex-Gridiron Pro Now a Teacher

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By Albon
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Leo Miles, former high school, college and professional football player, is a young man who believes there is some good in everybody.

In his new role as a District school teacher, Miles thinks he already is beginning to prove his belief under circumstances where it would not appear to be exactly easy.

Miles, 27 and a native Washingtonian, is a physical education and mathematics instructor at the District's newest school — Boys' Junior-Senior High School at 1st and I sts. sw.

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Experiment in Education

The school is a highly specialized educational center—actually an experimentin education—for boys who somehow have been unable to get along in regular classes and, as a result, have been excluded. It just opened Oct. 27.

Watching the boys' responses to athletic assignments given them by Miles, the average observer would be attracted only by the size of the class—just seven at present.

Miles is uniquely equipped for his job. He won just about every football honor awarded while playing at Cardozo High School here and at Virginia State College in Petersburg.

In his first pro season with the New York Giants in 1953, he became a top defensive halfback and was regarded as one of their brightest prospects until a knee injury ended his budding career.

Through his work with boys' athletic programs in the 14-to-18 age group and his college training in psychology and remedial instruction, Miles has developed a keen insight into what makes teenagers tick.

"I try to be honest and fair—and strict," Miles, a solidly built, soft-spoken 6-footer, said. "I try to get the boy to understand that there are rules of society to which he has to conform."

He does not believe in arguing with his students, either. If a boy complains that he wants to quit school, Miles says, "Go ahead and quit. Get a job. You're going to find it tougher out there if you don't learn how to live by the rules."

Neglect Is Problem

In looking into a boy's record to try to find where his problem started, Miles said he has found that most of the youngsters have not had the "attention they craved."

"They want to be recognized—be part of a group. When they find they can't make it the only way they can get attention is to create a disturbance."

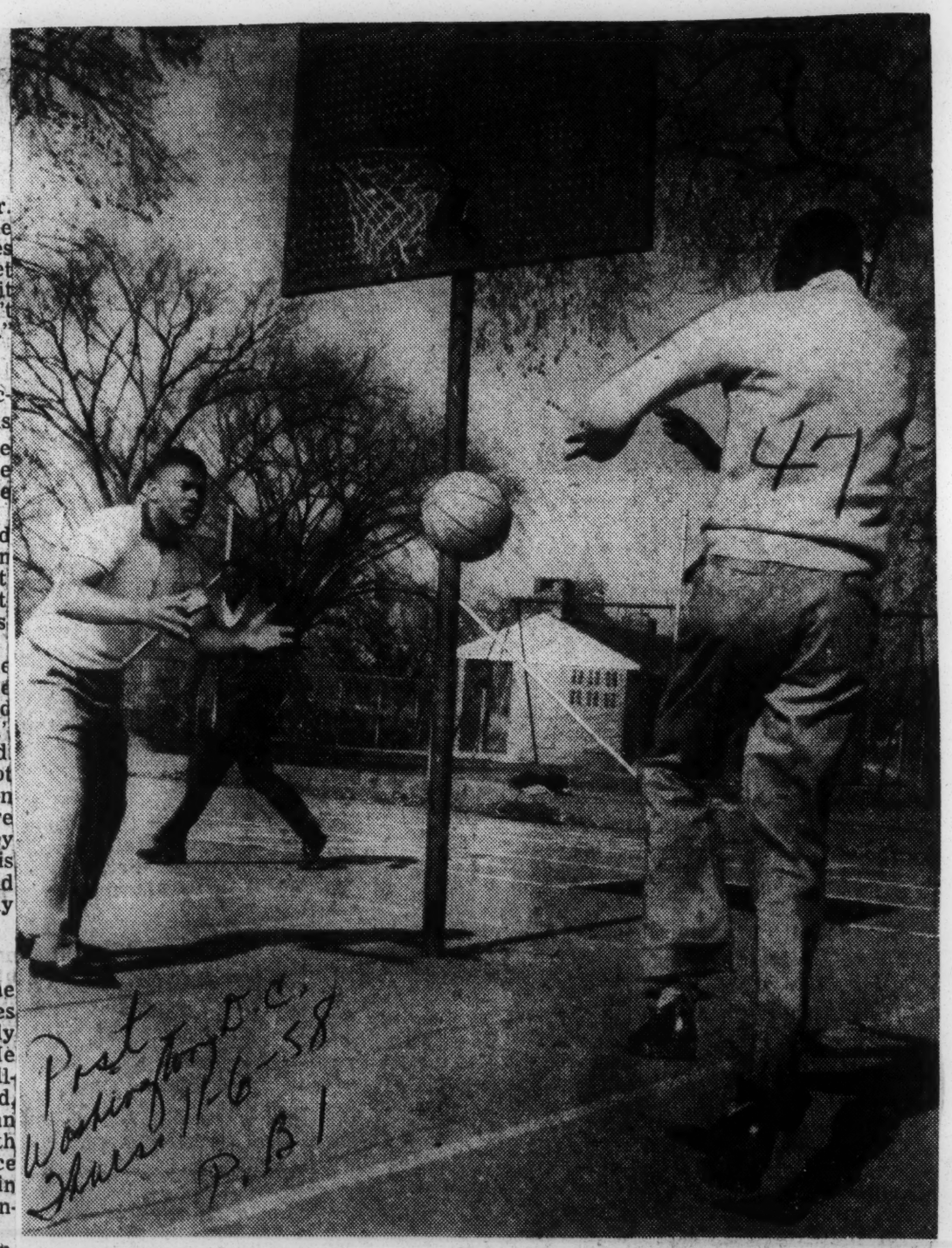
Miles said that when the new school opened some of the boys were suspicious and "didn't know what to expect."

"Some were lazy," he said. "They had the desire but not the sufficient interest. When they found that people here were interested in them they responded. I believe there is some good in everybody and if you can catch it early enough you are way ahead."

Two Daughters

Miles, married and the father of two daughters, ages 4 and 2, lives with his family at 2106 Savannah ter. se. He is the youngest of five football-playing brothers. One, Roland, 30, has been a top Canadian professional football star with the Edmonton Eskimos since 1952. Ronald teaches also—in a parochial school in Edmonton.

Miles agrees with his principal that the school is well on the way to fulfilling its purpose—fitting boys with emotional or behavioral problems for return to regular school classes or adjustment in jobs.



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By Dick Darcey, Staff Photographe

Leo Miles, at left, former halfback for the New York Giants professional football team and now an instructor at Washington's newest school—Boys' Junior-Senior High—runs some of his students through practice for the coming basketball season.

SPORTS BY THE AFRO

Going into the final weekend of the baseball season, colored players were well ahead of their 1957 performances at the bat, but away behind on the pitching mound . . . . that is the overall picture, using the 25 best known athletes.

Thirteen of 20 hitters taken in the study showed improved stickwork over their efforts of last year . . . . but four of the five pitchers used in the review turned in horrible records as compared to their work in 1957.

Better averages for the year at the plate were hung up by Willie Mays, Hank Aaron, Ernie Banks, Elston Howard, Vic Power, Roberto Clemente, Charley Neal, Junior Gilliam, Al Smith, Billy Bruton, Larry Doby, Wes Covington, Al Smith, Billy Battey.

Howard's 66-point hike, from a lowly .253 to a lofty .319, was the big splurge among the tan swingers . . . not far behind were Power, Banks, Clemente and Covington . . . . Vic jumped 52 points, from .259 to .311 following his move from Kansas City to Cleveland . . . . Ernie put 34 points on his .285 mark while bashing more homers than any player in either league. . . . Clemente came from a disappointing .253 to a respectable .289, and Covington got a 49-point increase out of his efforts though he was restricted by injury to approximately 90 days.

Improved averages were also listed by Neal (18 points), Gilliam (13), Smith (5), Bruton (4), Doby (2), and Battey, whose 55-point hike is not as impressive as it appears on paper . . . . Earl's .229 mark had to be compared to his .174 of a year in which he spent the greater part in the minors.

Mays and Aaron, who were in the thick of the battle for the National League batting championship right up to A to Z deadline, were also better in 1958 than they were in 1957, Willie by 13 points and Hank by nine. . .

Falling off at the plate for the year were Frank Robinson (by 50 points) from a lusty .322 to .272, Hector Lopez (by 35), Chico Fernandez (by 35) and Harry Simpson (by 26) . . . . Also down from their 1957 figures were Minnie Minoso (8 points), Bob Boyd (5) and George Crowe (4).

Except for Sad Sam Jones, the tan pitchers had a truly rough campaign . . . . for Brooks Lawrence, Don Newcombe, Connie Johnson and Ruben Gomez, October didn't come nearly fast enough . . . . Jones was boasting a 14-12 record as he went into the last week-end, and the finest earned-run average (2.82) he's shown since entering the majors for his first full season with the Chicago Cubs in 1955 . . . . Last year, Sam won 12, lost 9.

But Lawrence, who won 16 and lost 13 in 1957, could manage only half those victories this year, he stumbled through seven wins this summer while losing the same number . . . . Newk won 11 last season, lost 12 . . . this year, he stumbled through seven wins while dropping 13 decisions. . . . Johnson's 14-11 of a year ago, sank to a 6-9, and Gomez showed only 10-12 this time as against 15-13 for the last.

In New York City, Aug. 9-16

Bridge Players Eye 25th Meet

NEW YORK (ANP) — More than 700 bridge players and their friends are expecting to attend the silver anniversary annual national championships of the American Bridge Association, which will be held in the Henry Hudson Hotel Aug. 9-16.

Victor R. Daly, completing his ninth year as national ABA president, announced that playing space has been reserved to accommodate a minimum of 150 tables, to be in use both day and night during the tournament.

Nearly 200 silver trophies, valued at approximately $2,500, will be presented winners of 35 events scheduled; and life master emblems will be awarded those who have achieved that distinction during the past year.

A FEATURE of the silver anniversary tournament will be the awarding of $2,500 from the organization's benefit fund, to the leading national organizations actively engaged in the struggle for civil rights, equal employment and equality in education.

All of last year's champions, who won their titles at Pittsburgh, will be defending their crowns at the Hotel Hudson meeting. The present individual champion is Mrs. Evelyn Herndon, St. Albans, N. Y.

Co-champions in the men's pair event are C. E. Childress, Detroit and partner, Dan Scrivons, Xenia, Ohio; and Sam White and Alonzo Herndon, both of New York. The women's pairs champions are Mesdames Pauline Taylor and Mrs. Louise Harris, both of Detroit.

TWO OTHER Detroiters, Mrs. Marian Griffis and Sandy Gholston, were winners in the open pairs event; while the mixed pairs championship was taken by Mrs. Claudia Gist, Pittsburgh and Dan Scrivons.

Seeking to regain the open team of four champions title again this year will be William A. Friend, Detroit; his son, Maj. Robert Friend, Dr. Joseph Henry, Leon Jones and Roscoe Alexander, all of Washington, D. C.

Chairman of ABA's executive board is Dr. P. W. Goode, Mobile, Ala. He has held that position since 1951. Other officers include Irving B. Henderson, national vice president, Chicago; and Mrs. Georgia L. Stevens, executive secretary, Detroit.

Mixed sports backed in Miss.

JACKSON, Miss. — A group of college and junior college students making up the Mississippi Youth Congress Senate think athletic teams should be allowed to play integrated opponents if they desire.

The Youth Congress Senate voted 29 to 16 for interracial contests with six of the 10 schools represented approving the step.

The meeting was held here last week.

100 Per Cent Wrong Club To Open Season, Sept. 20

With the kickoff of the '58 collegiate football season less than two weeks away, members of the nationally-famous 100 Per Cent Wrong Club held their first meeting of the year, Thursday night at the University-John Hope Homes.

A. L. Thompson, president of the football second-guessers, offered a new program format for the calendar year which will include national ranking of football teams, selection of a 100 Per Cent Wrong All-American team, selection of a "coach of the year" committee, and a temporary blueprint for the 23rd Annual All-Sports Jamboree.

Ralph Robinson, area Boy Scout executive and one-time SIAC coach, will head the Football Ranking Committee. Plans call for collegiate competition to be split into five regions, which will be ranked by a well-known sports authority of the area.

Regional chairman named were L. S. Walker, Durham, N. C.; J. B. McLendon, Nashville, Tenn.; Lloyd C. A. Wells, Houston, Texas; Jim Hall, New Orleans, La.; and Claude Dansby, Atlanta.

Mr. Robinson will coordinate the weekly ranking of the regional experts and a weekly U. S. rating of the top 20 teams in the country will be announced.

The All-American Football Selection Committee will be announced at the October meeting of the group.

The 100 Per Cent Wrong Club, which annually honors the outstanding sports stars of the year, is a group of arm-chair football experts. Each year, these prognostigators try to dope the outcome of top football games played across the nation.

The club was organized by the late Lucius L. Jones and Eric (Ric) Roberts. Now in its twenty-third year, many of the original members are still active in club affairs.

For several years, the 100 Per Cent Wrong Club, has enjoyed the enthusiastic backing of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company and The Coca-Cola Company, through its national publicist, Moss H. Kendrix, Sr., Washington, D. C.

The club is a project of the Atlanta Daily World and its affiliate Scott Newspaper Syndicate. Its activities are directed by the sports department of the Atlanta Daily World.

Members of the club are Jack Adams, Thelba Brown, T. J. Crittenden, Joseph Daniels, A. T. Hollingsworth, Floyd McDay, Ralph Robinson, Joseph Pullin, Emel J. Scott, Sr., W. A. Scott, Marion E. Jackson, Joel W. Smith, Albert L. Thompson, and William Nix.

Students Approve Integrated Games

Mississippi Group Says OK If Players Willing

JACKSON, Miss., Dec. 10.—(AP)—A group of white college and junior college students in Mississippi think athletic teams should be allowed to play against racially integrated opponents if the players have no objection.

The group attending the Mississippi Youth Congress Senate voted last week in favor of the proposition and results of the voting were published Wednesday.

There were 29 in favor of the interracial contests when players approve, 16 against them and five abstaining.

Delegations from six of the 10 schools represented approved the measure. They were from Perkinston Junior College, Mississippi Southern, Meridian Junior College, Mississippi State College for Women, Millsaps and Mississippi College. Groups rejecting the measure were from Mississippi, Clarke, and Sunflower and Jones Junior Colleges.

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MINUTES FROM THE MEETING—SIAC Commissioner B. T. Harvey (right) flips a switch and Knoxville's Julian Bell, SIAC President; Dr. J. J. Dennis; Tuskegee's R. S. Darnaby, and Florida's A. S. Gaither, hear a recorded playback of the minutes of the SIAC Coaches conference first session here Saturday.

(Perry's Photo)

Southern Coaches, Officials Close 36th Annual Meet Today

Athletic directors, coaches and officials from six states will close the 36th Annual Meeting of the Southern Coaches and Officials Association today at Booker T. Washington High School Gymnasium.

Key officials interpreted and demonstrated the 1958 NCAA rules at the opening session Saturday. Among the discussants were Alexander Shepard, George Washington Carver Vocational High School, in the football action; Raymond Wainwright, Samuel H. Archer High School, basketball, and Dr. S. O. Moore, Florida A. and M., baseball.

John Hawkins, Xavier University, New Orleans, La., presided at the meet. B. T. Harvey, Atlanta, is secretary-treasurer.

Delegates were feted Saturday night at the New Lincoln Golf and Country Club.

The climax feature will be examinations for football and basketball officials. Baseball officials will take their examination during the SIAC basketball Tournament in Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

Among the visitors are:

Alabama: Birmingham, T. J Knox, Carlton Wells, Major Brown Tilford Cole, W. J. Moore, E. O Jackson, Anthony Robinson, William Coger, and Bennie McGhee Montgomery, C. Johnson Dunn, A E. Fews, E. B. Campbell; Normal G. H. Hobson, F. E. Lewis, Condredge Holloway, R. R. Dout, J. M Ward, and George O. McCalep, Sr.; Tuskegee Institute, Dr. Edward Jackson, R. S. Darnaby, Ross E. Owen, and Arthur Sawyer.

Florida: G. Lang Kershaw, Miami; A. S. Gaither, D. C. Collington, Tallahassee; Rudolph G. Matthews, Daytona Beach, Fla.

Georgia: Alva Tabor, Jr., W. S. M. Banks, Alphonsa Varner and Josephus Johnson; Macon, Vernon E. Colbert, and Columbus, L. D. Bussey.

Tennessee: Chattanooga, T. R. Caston, T. E. Craven, George (Chuboy) James, A. B. Stephens, Oscar Wilson, Emanuel Cranford, Sam Seals, and Walter Hainey; Knoxville, S. M. Clark, G. H. Lennon, G. A. Walker, S. E. Simpson, Raleigh Wynn, T. E. Gross, James Davis and Julian Bell; Memphis, E. A. Wynn; Jackson, James A. Cooke.

South Carolina: Columbia, J. D Bowman, John Brown, Ted Browne Rip Lewis, Collier Caison, A. C Fields, James Williams, Leroy Fair, John Bailey, Charles Webb, Fletcher Jones, Ralph Stevenson, Leroy Rogers, Charles Brooks; Charleston, Luther Bligen, Modie Risher; Denmark, L. D. Butler, C. H. Webb, R. Stephenson, W. N. Lewis, L. H. Dawkins; Orangeburg, William C. Brown, R. D. Moore, E. Middleton, E. A. Martin; Allendale, L. L. Butler; Camden, Johnnie Williams.

The SCOA met in Atlanta as guests of the Atlanta Quarterback Club. T. Herman Graves, David T. Howard High School, is president.

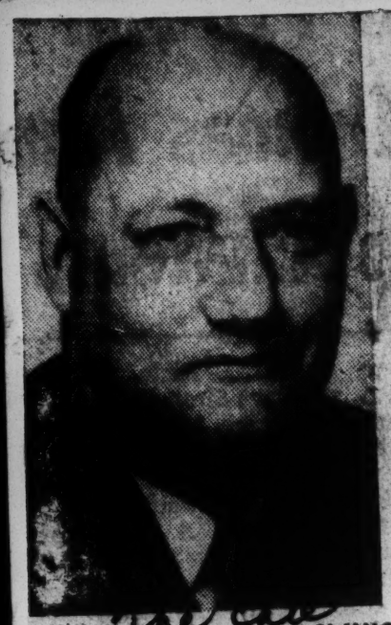
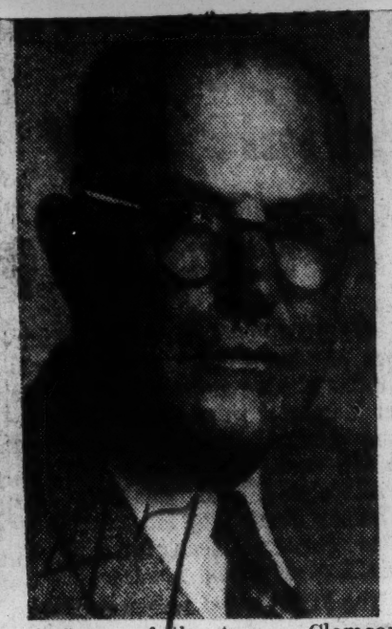
Thompson Named to National Committee

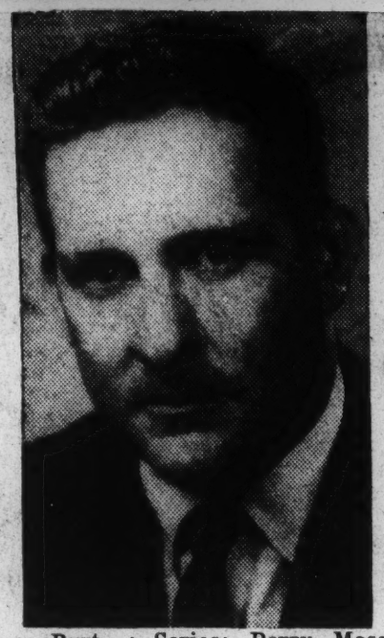
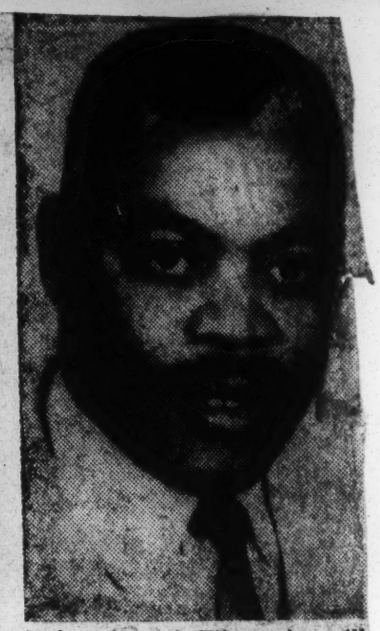
NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Athletic Director H. B. "Bus" Thompson of Fisk university, has been named to the Basketball Committee of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, marking the first time a Negro has served on this NAIA committee.

After accepting the invitation from Al Garter, NAIA president, Thompson said, "I certainly consider this one of the high honors of my career. I am extremely happy to work with the other Basketball Committee members toward achieving the goals which mean so much to intercollegiate athletics."

NAIA in its aims and objectives and in its overall proogram seeks to establish the athletim program of the nation's smaller colleges and universities on a sound, educational basis, both in the districts and in the national competition.

The Association is composed of approximately 450 colleges and universities in the United States, Hawaii and Canada. It acts as an administrative agency in matters of eligibility, rules and regulations, conducts statistical services in most of the sports in which members are active and encourages and conducts athletic events for members on an intersectional and nationau basis.

AT FAMU COACHING CLINIC. — Some of the top coaching names in the country will grace the speaking roster of the [illegible] Florida A. & M. coaching clinic. Frank [illegible], head football coach of Clemson, will lecture on offense and defense; Burt Igwersen, of the University of Illinois will lecture on defensive line play; Woody Hayes of Ohio State will lecture on the Ohio defense and the Ohio Belly Series; Perry Moss, University of Wisconsin will speak about quarterback development and Ray Crowe, coach of Attucks High school of Indianapolis will lecture on high school basketball techniques.

Ponder effect of court's KO of racial bans in La.

NEW ORLEANS, La.,—Fans throughout the nation were wondering this week what effect the Federal court ruling knocking out State bans on mixed athletics, will have on big time sports in this section.

While it was hailed generally as a triumph for justice and common sense, there were many to doubt that the effect would be felt immediately. For the rest of the football year and for the upcoming basketball and baseball season at least, no change in the policy of all-white competition would be noticed.

THE REASON for this is that the Sugar Bowl, next major sports attraction for this city, already had settled on two Dixie college teams, Clemson and Louisiana State.

Basketball schedules of Loyola of the South and Tulane, both of which have previously engaged in interracial contests, have been completed for the next two years. And the Texas League no longer plays baseball in the State.

The action of the court on Friday sounded the death knell of a two - year - old law passed by the Louisiana legislature in 1956, the purpose of which was to discontinue mixed participation in atheletics in the state.

THE RULING was issued in the case of a boxer, Joe Dorsey, who sued the State last year on the grounds that the legislation prevented him from making a living at his profession.

In his petition, Dorsey asserted that the statute was a high-handed disregard of his citizen's rights. He said that his inability to get matches with white fighters here and elsewhere in the state jeopardized his career.

Friday's ruling was signed by Judge John Minor Wisdom of the United States Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, and by District judges Herbert Christenberry and J. Skelly Wright.

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THE COURT'S ACTION brought to a close, for the present at least, a number of headaches for sports promoters in Louisiana. Since its passage, the legislation has brought heavy economic losses to operators of football, boxing, basketball and baseball.

The Sugar Bowl, which had Pittsburgh (with Bobby Epps) in 1954, and Navy with its mixed Cadet corps (though no colored students attended) in 1955, apparently has not suffered. It has managed to get top ranked teams from the section in each of the last two seasons for its New Year's Day spectacle.

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HOWEVER, the basketball segment of the Sugar Bowl could well suffer. Prior to the 1956 law, interracial quints from Marquette University, Bradley and San Francisco competed in the cage tournament, which is an adjunct of the Bowl promotion.

Loyola of this city and Tulane University have both played games with interracial fives during this affar.

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LAST YEAR'S lightweight boxing championship match was moved from this city to Houston, Texas, because of the state ban. In it, Joe Brown, the champion, and Ralph Dupas, the challenger, fought before a turnaway crowd.

Local promoters were incensed by the loss of the match, but they could do nothing about it. Both Brown and Dupas are native of New Orleans.

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TWO FRANCHISES in the Texas League also were lost to the state. The New Orleans Pelicans had to withdraw because other Texas League clubs are playing colored athletes and they were unable to do so.

Colored fans who had supported the Pelicans through the years soured on the team because of this, and a boycott was staged. The Pelicans died as a big time enterprise.

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A SIMILAR FATE struck Shreveport, the other Louisiana team in the Texas League prior to 1956.

The refusal of other teams in the league to bench their colored players for games in Louisiana, had as much to do with the death of the New Orleans and Shreveport franchises as anything else. Last year, the loop was reorganized so as to exclude Louisiana.

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APPARENTLY NOTHING can be done to remedy the baseball situation, despite the court's Friday ruling.

The reformed Texas League is now made up of Fort Worth, Houston, Dallas, Tulsa and San Antonio, all of which were in the original circuit, plus three others. These new franchises are Victoria (Texas), Corpus Christi and Austin, all in Texas.

SAM LACY.

Rattlers take SIAC crown

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—Florida A and M University's Rattlers have added the football title to their growing list of Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championships.

Official announcement of the SIAC finish was made late last week by B. T. Harvey, commissioner of the conference.

It showed the Florida eleven unbeaten in conference play (topped by Southern in an intersectional game), in first place with a 24.00 Dickinson Rating. The race for second place ended in a tie between Alabama State (7-1-0) and South Carolina State College (7-1-0), both with a Dickinson mark of 23.00.

Complete final standings follow:

	W	L	T
Florida	5	0	0
Ala. State	6	1	0
S.C. State	7	1	0
Tuskegee	5	2	1
Ft. Valley	3	2	1
Xavier	3	2	1
Clark	3	4	0
Benedict	3	3	0
Morehouse	3	3	0
Morris Brown	2	4	0
Ala. A. and M.	1	7	1
Fisk	1	5	0
Knoxville	1	6	0
Bethune	0	7	0
*Allen	4	2	0
*Lane	3	1	0

*Not rated, on probation, ineligible for championship.

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A to Z

One of the more noticeable facts brought to light in the balloting to determine the outstanding athlete of the past year in sports, was the tremendous loss of respect for the heavyweight boxing championship of the world . . . . There have been many indications in the nation's press that there is little to compare with the relative ability of Floyd Patterson . . . . There have been expressions of concern over the realization that Patterson is the least known titleholder in any phase of sports, that he is more often passed unnoticed in the tsreet than he is recognized . . . . Blame for this is laid at the feet of his manager, Cus D'Amato, who has set himself up as some sort of lord of the ring, who is determined to handpick everything for his tiger — from opponent to promoter.

In the 1957 AFRO poll, Patterson's name was found on only one of the 16 ballots cast . . . . That was a second-place pick . . . . Rarely in the 11-year history of the poll has the world heavyweight king been so lowly regarded . . . . never has he faced the humiliation of being so completely overlooked . . . . Because he was kept in hiding by his manager, because he beat nobody worthy of mention in defense of a title that has lost its sheen on his account, Patterson picked up only two points of a possible 48 in the nationwide balloting.

This annual poll conducted by the writer results in some interesting observations by members of the board of selectors . . . Although no members are required to comment on their selections, it often happens that many of them do send along messages to explain their choices.

Al Sweeney, former AFRO sports writer now with a Cleveland newspaper, for example, says of his selection of Althea Gibson, woh was the winner of the poll: "I don't think it necessary to justify the selection of Miss Gibson as the athlete of the year . . . . Her cinderella-like rise in the snobbish sport of tennis from the sidewalks of Harlem, is one of the truly great stories of this or any year."

Jackie Robinson, himself a two-time winner of the poll, also chose Miss Gibson . . . . Says Jackie: "My first choice has to be Althea Gibson for her ability to overcome tremendous handicaps during the years and then withstanding the pressures of the pas season . . . . at the same time doing a fine job in promoting good will and understanding" . . . . Continuing, Robinson says, "My second choice would have to be Hank Aaron for, without him, the Milwaukee Braves could not have become world champions in baseball."

Harry R. Jefferson, once one of the country's leading college coaches, says he honored Althea "for her role as a pioneer in tennis, her deportment in international competition and her world championship ability" . . . . Mark Caldwell, athletic director at West Virginia State College, also recoginzed Miss Gibson as "an outstanding international figure."

Jimmy Burns, widely-read sports columnist of the Miami Herald, agreed with Robinson as to Aaron's value to the Milwaukee baseball team, but he placed Hank above Miss Gibson in his voting . . . . "The Braves," says he, "could not possibly have won the pennant without him . . . . He also helped win the World Series."

Charley Sifford, who did not finish among the top three in the point getting, nevertheless, had at least two fine testimonials . . . . In voting him second, Harry Gage of the Dallas (Texas) Daily News declares: "Charley is one of the finest golfers in the country and a gentleman in every respect . . . . To my way of thinking, he is one athlete deserving of much more attention and credit than he gets" . . . . Says Eddie Jackson, Tuskegee Athletic director: "Sifford is No. 2 on my ballot, having achieved fame in a field in which colored contestants have not been prominent in open competition."

Sugar Ray Robinson got the first-place vote of Shirley Povich, the prolific Washington, D.C., columnist . . . . "He would be my selection," says Povich, "for the great fights he made winning and losing the world middelweight crown . . . . Despite the fact one was a losing effort, it was my feeling that Robinson did a remarkable thing the night he lost ot Carmen Basilio.'

The tabulations elsewhere on this page show Jim Brown, rookie fullback star of the Cleveland Browns, sharing one point with Willie Mays, who was a winner here in 1954 . . . . That came about when Vincent X. Flaherty, noted International News Service columnist of Los Angeles, asserted: "I can pick Althea Gibson and Hank Aaron as No. 1 and No. 2, but I can't make up my mind between Brown and Mays for No. 3 . . . . Suppose you just split it down the middle between them."

Inasmuch as the major portion of this week's A to Z is devoted to the annual poll, it might be interesting to note that, in becoming the first woman winner of the honor, Althea Gibson enjoyed a margin second only to that of Willie Mays' landslide victory in 1954 . . . . The slender Harlem queen was 16 points ahead of her nearest rival, Hank Aaron.

Closest races in the 11-year history of the event were those which crowned Larry Doby as winner over Harrison Dillard, the hurdler, in 1948, and Milt Campbell over Floyd Patterson and high-jumper Charley Dumas last year . . . . Two points separated Nos. 1 and 2, those years.

Floyd Patterson's name can bear repeating at this point, inasmuch as this is the usual space alloted to birthday celebrants among the sports figures . . . . The heavyweight champion marks his natal day on Saturday (4th) . . . . Kid Gavilan, former world welterweight champion, celebrates on Monday; Jim Pendleton of the Pittsburgh Pirates on Tuesday, and Buddy Young and George Tattaferro, former halfback teammates on the Baltimore Colts pro football team, will be receiving greetings on the 8th.

PICKERS AND PICKS

NORTHERN DISTRICT

KEN SMITH, ex-Baseball Writers secty. (New York): **Gibson**
JACKIE ROBINSON, Hall of Fame candidate (Conn.): **Gibson**
BOB WOLF, ace writer, Milwaukee Journal (Wisc.): **Gibson**
HARRY JEFFERSON, former CIAA coach (Penna.): **Gibson**

EASTERN DISTRICT

SHIRLEY POVICH, ex-Baseball Writers pres. (D.C.): **Robinson**
E. B. HENDERSON, author "Negro In Sports" (D.C.): **Gibson**
JOHN STEADMAN, publicist National Football League (Md.): **Aaron**
E. P. HURT, atheletic director, Morgan State College (Md.): **Brown**

SOUTHERN DISTRICT

EDWARD H. JACKSON, atheletic director, Tuskegee Inst. (Ala.): **Gibson**
JIMMY BURNS, columnist-editor, Miami Herald (Fla.): **Aaron**
BILL BELL, atheletic director, A and T College (N.C.): **Gibson**
HARRY GAGE, columnist-feature writer, Dallas News (Texas): **Brown**

WESTERN DISTRICT

GORDON COBBLEDICK, editor-columnist, Cleve. Plain Dealer (Ohio): **Brown**
AL SWEENEY, columnist-feature writer, Cleve. Call-Post (Ohio): **Gibson**
VINCENT X. FLAHERTY, columnist-sports writer, INS (California): **Gibson**
MARK CARDWELL, atheletic director, W. Va. State College (W. Va.): **Gibson**

'Black Fox' Has Lost Fangs, But He's Still Going Strong

Herald

By BERT COLLIER
Herald Staff Writer

"I shoulda had a million bucks, but I always kept my hands open," said 95-year-old William A. Wright.

The man who says he rode in dead-and-gone Kentucky Derbies and boxed in a hundred rings with some of the best fighters in the business may be groggy, but he's still in there punching.

"They just ain't found a hole for me yet," said Willie, the "Black Fox," with a toothless grin.

Every morning at four Willie leaves his comfortable bed in a small hotel and goes to Hialeah to do odd jobs in the stables.

People wonder how he defies age and retirement as they see him around race tracks here and in the North.

"You just ask around any stable for Race Track Turk—that's what they call me now—and they'll point me out.

"They find little things for me to do — and I manage."

Willie was born in Lexington, Ky., and started galloping horses at seven. Pretty soon he was a full-fledged jockey.

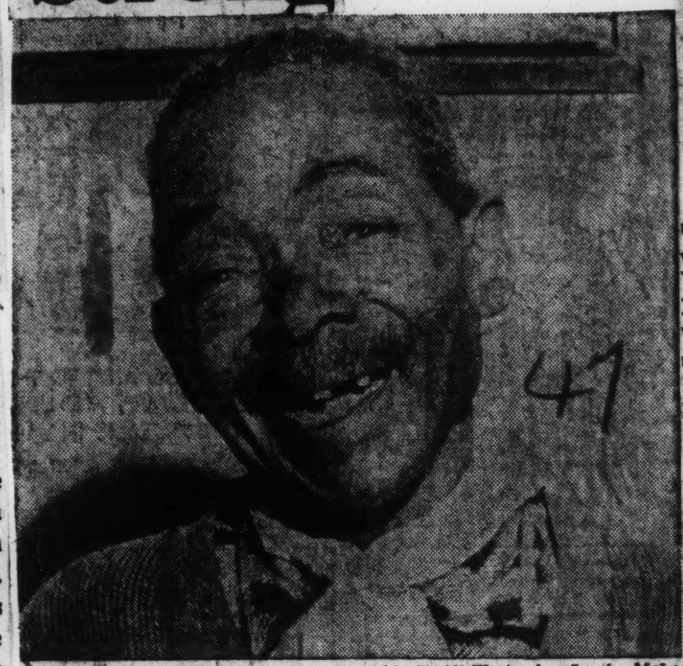
"My riding name was Isaac Lewis, and you'll find it in the records," said Willie.

"In them days, things were different. Some riders had a battery around their waist and they'd shock the horses through the spurs to make 'em go.

"I got about $5 if I won, and $2 if I lost. Sometimes, if you lost, the owners would wait at the stable to give you a beating. I'd fool 'em. I'd get off the horse on the wrong side and run like hell."

When Willie got too heavy to ride, he became a light-weight boxer. "I could beat any of them, but I was what you'd call a ringer," he said. "They called me the Dust Ball Kid."

When the Spanish-American War broke out, Willie claims, he was attached to the Rough Riders. That's when he became the Black Fox.



—Herald Staff Photo by Lewis McLa

Meet The Black Fox — William Wright
. . . also known as The Dust Ball Kid

"Mr. Teddy Roosevelt gave me that name," said Willie. "He'd send me anywhere, and I'd always get there.

"I was a sho-shot man."

After the Spaniards were disposed of, Willie went back to Lexington and opened a public training stable. He handled some top horses of the day, he recollects, and in 1924, went to Panama to help build and operate a race track.

One day in Hong Kong, said Willie, the ship, "Hurly Burly," disappeared from the docks.

"They sort of said we took it, and they put us in the Atlanta penitentiary. But Mr. Teddy Roosevelt, he told 'em we hadn't done nothing and oughta not be there and they let us go."

Now he works around the tracks at Boston in the summer and hits the trail to Miami for the winter. With an $80.40 monthly social security check, he ekes out a living.

Physical Education Expert Morehouse Speaker Today

Daily Herald Atlanta, Ga.

Tues. 2-18-58

Dr. Jay B. Nash, professor-emeritus of New York University and executive secretary of the New York State Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, will be the featured speaker today at the dedication of the Physical Education and Health Building at Morehouse College.

This program, which gets underway at 9 a.m., will be the highlight of the 91st anniversary of Morehouse. Charles W. Greene, president of the Morehouse General Alumni Association, will preside, and the principal speaker will be presented by Dr. Franklin L. Forbes, director of Athletics at Morehouse.

A native of Ohio, Dr. Nash completed his under-graduate work at Oberlin College and before taking over his duties at New York University served as state supervisor of Recreation and state director of Physical Education in California.

A world lecturer, the distinguished educator taught at New York University about a quarter of a century before retiring in 1952. He has been cited by the Hungarian government for notable service and went to India as a lecturer in 1953.

Dr. Nash was recipient of the Luther Halsey Gulick Award in 1940, which is the highest honor given by the American Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. He is author of some 25 of 30 books, including 18 textbooks.

Other program participants will include: Rev. Walter R. McColl, pastor, Providence Baptist Church; Wilbur T. Leaphart, of the Morehouse student body; Dr. Forbes, Dr. F. Earl McLendon, Dr. Benjamin E. Mays, and Rev. Charles S. Hamilton, pastor, Tabernacle Baptist Church, Augusta, Ga.

CONCERT AND SYMPOSIUM

The Founders' Day celebration got underway on Sunday with the annual Glee Club concert, under the direction of Professor Wendell P. Whalum. A symposium on "The Role of Physical Education In Higher Education" was held on Monday.

Among the participants were: Dr. Edward Jackson, of Tuskegee Institute; Armistead Pierro, Dillard University; Ollie Dawson, South Carolina State College; Dr. Nash; Professor Davis, of Talladega College; William T. Greene, Morris Brown College; Miss Nell Randall, Spelman College; Henry Darlington and Duke Foster, of Morehouse. Several Morehouse students joined in the discussion period.

President Mays conducted the impressive laying of the cornerstone. Among the items placed in the box were: the original charter, by-laws, amended charter, catalogue, a brochure, "Building Men," and programs of the 90th and 91st Founder's Day observances.

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1957 Top Sports Figures to Be Honored by 100 Per Cent Wrong

SPORTS EVENT PLANNERS — Veteran sports figure B. T. Harvey, left, commissioner of athletics for the Southern Conference, chats with Marion E. Jackson, right, coordinator of The 100 Per Cent Wrong Club, and Miss H. Kendrix, during recent Orange Blossom Classic at Miami. At close of game, in which Florida A. and M. University defeated Maryland State College, FAMU was named national intercollegiate football champions for 1957 and will receive The W. A. Scott, II, Memorial Trophy at the club's 23rd annual all-sports Jamboree in Atlanta on Friday. Mr. Scott was the founder of the Atlanta Daily World of which Mr. Jackson is sports editor. The Coca-Cola Company, Atlanta, annually gives the championship trophy.

A. L. Thompson, Atlanta housing expert, is club president.

Among those receiving citations and awards are Coach Paul Brown, and Jim Brown of the Cleveland Browns; Florida A & M University; Coach Fred T. Long, Wiley College; Althea Gibson; Hank Aaron; Len Lyles, Elias Gilbert and Dr. Charles Ray, of North Carolina College.

100% Wrong Club Jamboree Opens With Movie Thursday

By ISIAH McIVER

A thrill-a-minute movie, a Hollywood-style party, a super-duper collection of star-spangled athletes, and fame-name visitors from throughout the nation will converge on Atlanta beginning Thursday for the 23rd annual 100 Per Cent Wrong Club Jamboree.

The theatrics will be provided by the Orange Blossom Classic film which will see Florida A. and M. versus Maryland State in a 27-21 thriller that still excites grid prognosticators in hot stove conversation, everywhere.

The first night enchantment will be provided by a giltedge "lid-lifter jubilee" that has been tabbed "The Kickoff Party" and scheduled for 6:00 p.m. tomorrow in the Recreation Room of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company.

The club will visit Morehouse College Friday at 9:00 a.m. followed by a visit to Clark College at 10:00 a.m. and at 12:00 noon, W. A. Scott, III, will host a luncheon at his home. The press and radio party will be held at 4:00 p.m. in the Recreation Room of the Atlanta Life. A brief visit to the Butler Street YMCA will follow the press and radio party.

Charles W. Cookson, executive secretary, National Baseball Congress, will be the principal speaker for the sports event and Ray Dumont, president of the internationally active baseball organization, will receive the club's "Citizen of the Year Award."

Florida A. and M. University will receive the W. A. Scott, II, Memorial Trophy as national Negro intercollegiate champions for 1957. Fred T. Long, head football coach at Wiley College, Marshall, Texas will receive the "Coach of the Year" citation.

Tennis star Althea Gibson and Hank Aaron, outfielder of the Milwaukee Braves, will be cited as female and male athletes of the year. Len Lyles, University of Louisville, will be named football player of the year. Elias Gilbert of Huntington, Salem, W. Va., State Teachers College, will be honored for his international exploits. The "Pioneer" and "Two Friends" awards will be awarded to Coach Brown of the Cleveland Browns and Jim Brown and Milt Plum of the Cleveland Browns.

Jim Brown is stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., and will arrive in Atlanta Thursday. Hank Aaron will be honored in Milwaukee January 30 and will arrive in Atlanta noon Friday via plane. Shortly after they arrive they are due for rounds of TV and radio appearances.

In tribute to basketball, the club will honor the 1957 winners of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics tournament at Kansas City, Tennessee A. and I. State University, Nashville, coached by J. B. McLendon. Coach A. S. "Big Jake" Gaither of Florida A. and M. and his staff will be guests of honor at the event.

Dr. Charles Ray, director of public relations, North Carolina College at Durham, will be named public relations man of the year.

Prize winners in the doping contest are:

First Place: Marion Jackson, Hammonton Park all-wool fabric suit, Anthony's Men Wear, 91 Peachtree Street, N.E.

Second Place, Joseph Daniels, Helbros 17-jewel yellow gold men's wrist watch, given by Walter H. Thomas Jewelers, Atlanta, Ga.

Third Place, Joel W. Smith, sports coat made of imported fabric, tailored by Hart, Schaffner and Marx, given by Zachry's Inc., 87 Peachtree St., N.E.

Fourth Place, a hunting coat including Duxbak pants, wool shirt, donated by King's Hardware, 53 Peachtree St., N.E.

Most Correct Scores, Philco 5-tube table model radio, grey colored with illuminated dial and large speaker, presented by Mather Bros., Broad and Hunter Sts.

Lowest margin of errors, Ralph Robinson, a "Beaver 20" hat styled by Robley, given by Robley Hat Company, 56 Walton St., N.E.

Sports Celebrities, "Wrong" Club Saluted

By EDDIE WILLIAMS

ATLANTA, Ga. — (SNS) —

At the end of a thrilling real-life sports saga enacted in the Waluhaje Ballroom Friday night, an enthralled audience applauded the appearances of numerous sports personalities and returned a salute to the 100 Per Cent Wrong Club of Atlanta.

The occasion was the 23rd annual All-Sports Jamboree, and this year the 15-member club presented "A Salute To American Football." The Jamboree started Thursday and came to a close Saturday.

The program, studded with noted representatives from the fields of sports and education, was a smashing hit from beginning to end. It paid tribute to the nation's most outstanding sports talent and served as a medium of inspiration for both the players and their avid followers.

Among the special guests presented were Jim Brown, former All-American halfback at Syracuse University and a star for the Cleveland Browns; Coach A. S. "Big Jake" Gaither from Florida A & M University; Coach Fred T. Long from Wiley College; Coach J. B. McLendon from Tennessee A & I University; Charles W. Cookson, executive secretary for the National Baseball Congress, Willie Galimore, former FAMU All-American halfback and a star player for the Chicago Bears, and others.

Among those conducting the program were Dr. Hillard A. Bowen, superintendent of Area One schools in Atlanta; Bishop W. R. Wilkes, Sr., of the Sixth Episcopal District of the AME Church; C. A. Scott, editor-general manager of the Atlanta Daily World; Charles W. Greene, director of public relations for Atlanta Life Insurance Company; Dr. Rufus E. Clement, president of Atlanta University and a member of the Atlanta Board of Education! and members of the 100 Per Cent Wrong Club.

Those Who Made Sports History In '57 Honored By 100% Wrong Club

By MOSS H. KENDRIX

ATLANTA, Ga. — Had you been there, these things you would know — The 100 Per Cent Wrong Club has done it again. Just 15 men, who did their quarterbacking before the big Saturday game, have again saluted the stars and star makers. This was the 23rd annual go of the weekend series of events in which the 15 say, "These are they."

And there they were...Charles W. Cookson, executive secretary, National Baseball Congress, Wichita, Kas., delivering address of evening and picking up "Citizen of the Year Award" for prexy-boss, NBC's founder, Ray Dumont, who had tight schedule, doesn't fly and couldn't make it. Absent, also, Paul Brown, in Philly for football drafts and Milt Plum, who is giving Uncle Sam some military time.

But the BIG MAN of the gridiron, Jim Brown, on leave from Fort Benning, came along to gather "Pioneer Award" for Browns' headman Paul, and quarterback Plum, sharing "Two Friends" award with Jim. Photo caption of the period: "HAVE PIGSKIN, WILL TRAVEL, IS THEIR MOTTO." Atlanta Constitution line running under picture of Jim Brown and Willie Gallimore, on hand to receive award for Hank Aaron.

Jim Brown had something of a home coming — he's from Georgia, the Bears' break-and-go Gallimore, from Florida and FAMU. Aaron and Althea (has won everything but money) Gibson, were named "Athletes of the Year." She's grad of Florida A and M University, whose Gaither-coached "Rattlers" walked off with intercollegiate football championship trophy for 1957.

You should have seen the smiles on Fred T. Long's face — he's "Coach of the Year," when Atlanta University president, Dr. Rufus Clement, mentioned L. A. Rams' draft of his Wiley College star, Floyd Iglehart. Big Texan, who has coached 36 seasons, corrected Scout executive and former coach, Ralph Robinson.

"Change of administrative policy ..nothing...I was fired twice in 36 years," notes Pops Long. NOTE TO TEXAS POLITICIANS: If Coach Long is fired again, grab him — he got more telegrams from Texas than Ike got from Vermont after his 1952 win. He's either got much organization in Texas or much friends — a great coach, loved by all.

For the sponsors: C. A. Scott, Atlanta Daily World publisher, real happy over his paper's 100 per cent baby...Jack Moore (Coca-Cola rep) claiming it a heavy program "Any program with al Thompson (225 pounds-plus 100 per cent prexy) on it has to be heavy." Sideline Jack pushes 225 himself — Atlanta Life Insurance Company's Charles W. Greene, statesman and orator, PRarm of his firm — "Our company is proud to support "pioneers" and "friends."

And "these are they" going on ..Len Lyles, University of Louisville football flash and Baltimore Colts 1st draft — collegiate "Player of the Year"... Tennessee A and I State University — "Basketball Team of the Year"..."Track Star of the Year," Elias (you'll read more of him) Gilbert, Winston-Salem (NC) Teachers College student...and Mr. Sports Report, Dr. Charles Ray, North Carolina College at Durham, public relations director — man of the year in his field.

DON'T REPEAT IT, BUT WHEN Toastmaster H. A. Bowen (doctor is head of Area I Atlanta Public Schools) announced lights burning in car — tag number and all, to college presidents and a HS principal quickly and shyly left the room. A third prexy was "saved" when told the car was on the back, his being on the front. Or was he? He was head table. Seems that tags have changed in Georgia recently.

Al Thompson (Federal Housing Administration) made big announcement of night: Hereafter, The 100 Per Cent Wrong Club, with cooperation of Sports Department of Atlanta Daily World, will select championship football team immediately after football season, will promote 100 per cent boasters clubs in cities over the country, and will select All-Amrican team from Negro colleges.

Wives of 100 Per Centers got tired of staying home. Now are hostesses at stag affairs.

Thirty: Marion Jackson, World sports editor, closed program with "thirty" and "my treasure chest is filled." Pint-sized plus Speaker Cookson got lift to mike from Coca-Cola case. Dr. Clement named second 100 per cent honorary member...Kendrix first...Marion Jackson won 1st prize among 100 percenters, newest member Ralh Robinson showed — question, were prizes fixed? Oldest member, A. T. Hollinsworth, got nothing.

Watch, your sense of humor is showing — GOOD.

HUGE AND HANDSOME TROPHIES were the order of the day in Atlanta, Georgia, recently when outstanding sports figures for the year 1957 were honored by The 100 Per Cent Wrong Club at its 23rd annual All-Sports Jamboree. In the upper panel, veteran Coach C. R. McLendon, (r), Tennessee State A. and I. university receives Coca-Cola contributed "Basketball Team of the Year" trophy for his championship "Tigers." Others seen are Joseph Daniels, club member, (l), and Otis N. Thompson, Jr., (l), of The Moss H. Kendrix Organization, Washington, D. C., public relations firm which promotes event. Bottom panel, from left: Florida A. and M. university football Coach A. S. "Big Jake" Gaither and Dr. George Gore, FAMU president, were all smiles in contemplation of returning the large trophy, also given by The Coca-Cola Company, to their championship "Rattlers." Third from left is Al Thompson, club president, followed by Marion E. Jackson, sports editor of the Atlanta Daily World and Jamboree coordinator; Moss H. Kendrix, congratulates Dr. Gore, and W. A. Scott, III, of the Atlanta Daily World. The trophy won by the "Rattlers" is named after the late W. A. Scott. II, founder of the Atlanta daily.

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A. L. THOMPSON RE-ELECTED 100% WRONG CLUB PREXY

A. L. Thompson, a race relations expert on housing with a U. S. agency, was re-elected president of the 100 Per Cent Wrong Club of the Atlanta Daily World, Monday night at a meeting at the University-John Hope Homes Auditorium.

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The election climaxed a report session on the recent 23rd Annual Sports Jamboree held Jan. 31, under the sponsorship of the Atlanta Daily World, Atlanta Life Insurance Company, and The Coca-Cola Company.

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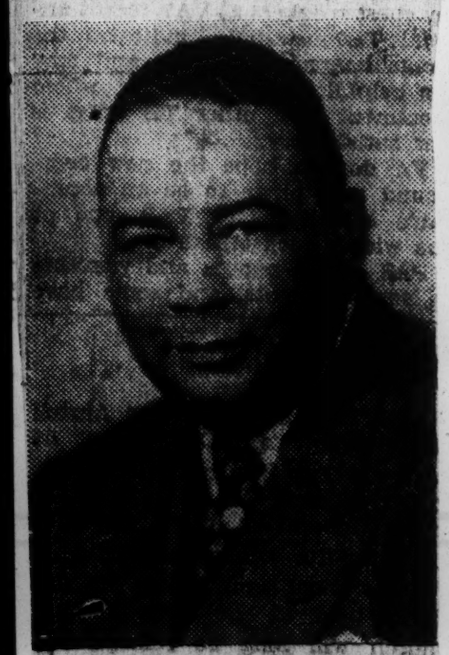
Club officials expressed thanks to C. A. Scott, publisher of the Daily World; Charles W. Greene on behalf of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company; and Moss H. Kendrix, Washington, D. C., publicist whose firm handled many of the arrangements for the event.

In other actions, Ralph Robinson, well-known Boy Scout executive, and former college and high school coach, was named head of a special 100 Per Cent Wrong Club rating committee which will rank the nation's outstanding football teams next fall.

T. J. Crittenden was named head of a study commission to report on the proposed 100 Per Cent Wrong Boosters Club project which is expected to be activated next fall.



A. L. THOMPSON

Members endorsed continuation of the honorary membership awards which was continued at the recent Jamboree. Dr. Rufus E. Clement, president of Atlanta University, was the second citizen to be honored by the group. Dr. Clement was cited for his long and sympathetic service towards the idealism and growth of the organization. Mr. Kendrix was similarly honored in 19

Atlanta Ga.

Other officers elected were Thelba N. Brown, secretary; Floyd McDay, treasurer; J. Russell Simmons, statistician; and Marion E. Jackson, coordinator.

Other members of the 100 Per Cent Wrong Club are Jack Adams, Joseph Daniels, A. T. Hollingsworth, William N. Nix, Joseph Pullin, Emel J. Scott, W. A. Scott, III, and Joel W. Smith.

The 100 Per Cent Wrong Club was founded by the late Lucius Jones and Eric (Ric) Roberts. It has since grown into the nation's No. 1 sports award jamboree and attracts distinguished sports celebrities from throughout the U. S.

The '58 Jamboree honored Paul Brown, Cleveland Browns; Jim Brown and Milt Plum, outstanding rookies of the National Football League, Leonard Lyles, star back of the University of Louisville; Ray Dumont, coach of the year Fred T. Long, Dr. Charles A. Ray, Elias Gilbert and a number of other athletic personalities.

Bid for Temple By N. Y. Blamed For Race Issue

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Feb. 17 (AP).—There will be no segregation for players in the National Collegiate Athletic Association Regional Basketball Tournament here next month—and no segregation of the audience that watches them.

Engraver

That statement came from tournament officials today on the heels of an announcement from Philadelphia that Temple University's sixth-ranked team would not play if three Negroes on the team were separated from their teammates.

Philadelphia

"It would disrupt the morale of our squad to have the boys separated," said Josh Cody, Temple athletic director.

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ARRANGED MONTHS AGO

Chet Welchel, chairman of the NCAA Eastern Basketball Tournament Committee of Charlotte's Chamber of Commerce, said:

"Arrangements have been made for months to take care of all the teams in the same facilities. This is not news to Mr. Cody.

"I talked to Josh Cody at great length when I was in Philadelphia last month for an NCAA meeting and I explained to him then that players positively will not be separated.

CHARGES NIT WANTS TEMPLE

"I think it's all starting out of New York. They want Temple at their National Invitation Tournament — Temple has a prize team and one of the best players in the country, a Negro boy named Guy Rodgers. They would draw very well in New York.

"They're trying to make Temple disappointed with us so they'll not come here, but go to the NIT. But I have talked to NCAA officials and Temple is bound by by-laws to come to the NCAA if they win in their conference (Middle Atlantic Conference).

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NO SEGREGATION OF FANS

"There won't be any segregation of the audience either. We sold that thing out by mail early in September. Who the tickets went to, we don't know."

Philadelphia Pa.

"We didn't ask. We just took ticket orders. Blocks of tickets were saved for the teams and those people will all sit together."

As most teams have during other Charlotte basketball tournaments, NCAA players will stay together at a new motel near the Coliseum. They will eat together at an adjacent restaurant, one of Charlotte's most popular.

INSPECTED BY LONBORG

Dutch Lonborg, athletic director at the University of Kansas and head of the NCAA Basketball Tournament Committee, checked the facilities and arrangements personally before placing the tournament here.

Besides making arrangements to have the teams sleep and eat together, the committee planned entertainment without regard to race.

Feeling coaches would prefer activities close to the Coliseum, the committee leased adjacent Ovens Auditorium and arranged for first-run movies to be shown during non-game hours. Teams also will have the use of the sumptuous lounge in the auditorium.

TEMPLE ENTRAINS TONIGHT

Temple University's basketball team, boasting the Nation's longest winning streak, 17 straight, will entrain tonight at 7:55 from North Philadelphia Station for Winston Salem, N. C., and a crucial clash with Wake Forest College.

The Owls, who will be seeking their 18th in a row and 19th in 21 games, will be meeting the Deacons for the fourth time in a series started in 1930-31. Temple holds a 2-1 edge in the series, but lost last year at the Palestra, 67-59.

Coach Harry Litwack will take a squad of 10 to Wake Forest, but has not made final selections.

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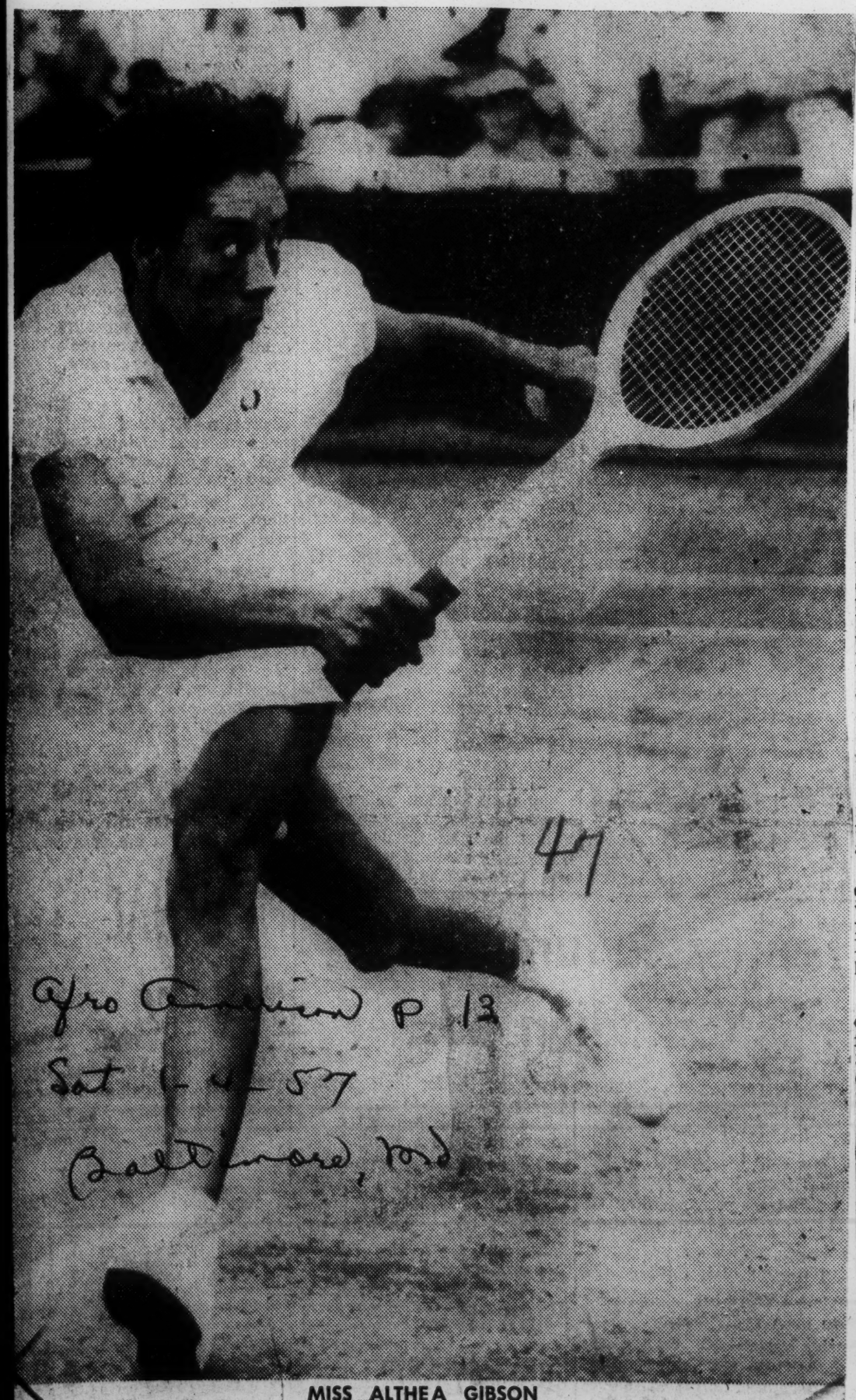

MISS ALTHEA GIBSON

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Althea Voted No 1 Athlete of Year

Becomes 1st woman to win AFRO poll

By SAM LACY

Althea Gibson this week became the first woman in the 11-year history of the poll, to be named the No. 1 athlete of the year.

The winner of the celebrated tennis tournaments at Wimbledon and Forest Hills, gained the honor in the nationwide balloting conducted annually by the AFRO-AMERICAN Sports Department.

Her margin, though not overwhelming, was a confortable one over her nearest masculine rivals — Hank Aaron of the Milwaukee Braves, and Jim Brown of the Cleveland Browns.

Both Aaron and Brown were members of championship teams in professional baseball and football.

The 16-member AFRO board of selectors gave the queen of world tennis a total of 37 points, 16 more than runner-up Aaron. Brown collected a total of 15½ points.

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CALCULATIONS were based on the allotment of three points for each first-place vote on a 3-place ballot; two points for each second choice, and one point for every third pick.

Others to figure in the point-getting were golfer Charley Sifford (4) fourth, boxer Sugar Ray Robinson (3), fifth, boxer Floyd Patterson (2), sixth, basketball player Bill Russell (1) sixth, and baseball player Willie Mays (½) seventh.

Brown and Mays divided a point when one selector said he couldn't decide as to which of the two deserved his third place vote of one point.

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MISS GIBSON picked up 10 of the possible 16 first-place votes in accumulating her winning total. She was the second pick on three ballots, and the third choice on another.

Thus it is revealed that the one-time Harlem street urchin was left off only two of the 16 ballots — four each from the North, East, South and West.

Althea swept the ballots of AFRO board members in the Northern District. She was given three of the four top votes from the Western area; two from the South, and one from the East.

Comprising the 1957 Board of Selectors were well-known figures who have been close to the sports scene for the past two decades or more. Eight are colored and eight are white.

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VOTING FROM the North were:

Kenny Smith of the New York Daily Mirror, former national secretary of the Baseball Writers Association of America and author of the published life story of Willie Mays;

Jackie Robinson, generally recognized as a candidate for the Hall of Fame of Baseball at Cooperstown, N.Y., now living in North Stamford, Conn.;

Bob Wolf, ace baseball writer of the Milwaukee Journal newspaper and one of the nation's leading sports authorities; and

Harry R. Jefferson, ex-Hampton Institute athletic director and football and basketball coach, now located in Philadelphia.

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VOTING IN the East were:

Dr. E. B. Henderson, former Washington, D.C., public school director of physical education and author of the book, "The Negro In Sports," now living in Virginia;

Shirley Povich, of the Washington Post-Times Herald, ace columnist and ex-president of the Baseball Writers Association of America;

E. P. Hurt, athletic director, football coach and track and field authority at Morgan State College, Baltimore, Md.; and

John Steadman, National Football League (Baltimore Colts) publicist who is soon to be named to an executive sports job with a daily newspaper.

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VOTING IN the South were:

Dr. Edward L. Jackson, athletic director at Tuskegee Institute, Ala., former football, basketball and track coach;

Jimmy Burns, sports editor and columnist of the Miami

JEFFERSON SMITH

FLAHERTY CALDWELL

HENDERSON HURT

GAGE BELL

Daily World, Miami, Fla.;

Bill Bell, athletic director at A. and T. College, Greensboro, N.C., and former football, basketball, track coach, and

Harry Gage, columnist and feature writer of the Dallas Daily News, Dallas, Texas.

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VOTING FROM the West were:

Gordon Cobbledick, sports editor and columnist of the Cleveland Plain Dealer and ex-president of the BBWA, Cleveland, Ohio;

Al Sweeney, columnist and feature writer of the Cleveland Call and Post, Cleveland, Ohio;

Vincent X. Flaherty, columnist of the Los Angeles Examiner and International News Service feature writer and

Mark Cardwell, athletic director, football and basketball coach, West Virginia State College, Institute, W. Va.

Jackie, 1st pick, is now a selector

Jackie Robinson, who was the first winner of the "No. 1 AFRO Athlete" award, and the only two - time selection in the 11-year history of the poll, this year joins the board of selectors.

The former Brooklyn Dodger baseball star was named in 1947, the year of the inaugural selection, and again in 1949, when he captured the National League batting title and the NL "most valuable player" citation.

Robinson, now a resident of North Stamford, Conn., voted as an observer in the North.

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HIS BALLOT named Althea Gibson first, and Hank Aaron, batting star of the Milwaukee Braves second.

Following herewith is a list of winners of the AFRO poll since it began eleven years ago:

1947 — Jackie Robinson
1948 — Larry Doby
1949 — Jackie Robinson
1950 — Ezzard Charles
1951 — Minnie Minoso
1952 — Joe Black
1953 — Roy Campanella
1954 — Willie Mays
1955 — Sugar Ray Robinson
1956 — Milt Campbell
1957 — Althea Gibson

Panel Approves Segregation Bill

A substitute bill to prohibit athletic contests and social dancing between whites and Negroes in Georgia was unanimously approved by the State of Republic Committee of the House Monday.

Although designed to remedy objections to the original, the substitute still is essentially the same as the controversial measure that had the House embroiled in an uproarous floor fight when the 1957 session adjourned.

Floor Leader Colbert Hawkins, who failed to steer the measure to passage last year, said he probably will bring the substitute up for House consideration again Tuesday.

In Charlotte N. C. A. A.

Temple Dubious About 'No Segregation' Pledge

By Irving T. Marsh

Temple and its athletic director, Josh Cody, are not quite satisfied that there will be no "integration incidents" in Charlotte, N. C., if the Owls play in the early rounds there of the N. C. A. A. basketball tournament. This despite the assurances of the tournament chairman, Chet Welchel, "that there will be no segregation of players." Matter of fact, Welchel blamed the whole to-do on "New Yorkers who want Temple at their N.I.T. . . . They're trying to make Temple disappointed with us so they'll not come to Charlotte."

Marsh

But a conversation with Cody yesterday revealed that the committee insists there would be no "segregation" of Temple's three Negro players because all the teams in the Charlotte event will be housed and fed in a motel rather than a hotel. Also that a special movie house will be designated as the place where the athletes can take their ease, presumably without offending the anti-integrationists.

"But by what authority," Cody asked yesterday, "can the committee integrate in a motel and not in a hotel, especially if the law does not permit integration? This isn't only Temple's problem. It's also Connecticut's (the Yankee Conference champion and therefore already in the N. C. A .A. tournament). Could be that all four teams in the Charlotte round have Negro players. Even if we are housed in a motel, what assurance do we have that there'll be no incidents? Before we go to Charlotte—if we win our conference title, that is—we will insist on complete assurance of protection against incidents, or rabble rousers. So many things have happened, it makes you wonder what could happen.

"Rather than be put in a position of asking for special consideration, we'd ask to be relieved of the necessity of competing."

That would mean that Temple would be unbale to compete in any other post-season tournament, of course (that's N. C. A. A. rule), but Cody and Temple evidently are willing to take that risk.

A further development in the case yesterday was the statement of Willis Stetson, of the Middle Atlantic Conference which Temple would represent, that "the conference would stand completely behind its representative."

The Owls, by far the best team in the East and winners of 17 straight, longest undefeated string in the nation, are almost certain to win the Middle Atlantic title.

Incidentally, the Owls are to meet Wake Forest tonight. Wake Forest is situated in Winston-Salem, N. C.

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Incidental Intelligence

Talking of post-season basketball tournaments, the boys from the hinterlands are exceedingly eager to get into the N. I. T., as mail crossing this desk would indicate. . . . Among those definitely interested are Brandeis, which has lost only one game in 16—to Boston College, which it played without the services of two of its regulars—and Steubenville, of Ohio, which has Jim Smith, a tremendous rebounder and top scorer, on its team. . . . And you can practically count on Seattle as a contestant in the N. I. T., which would mean that Elgin Baylor comes back to New York again. . . . Wonder if there's anything in the Midwest rumor that Wilt Chamberlain will quit Kansas after, or maybe even before, the current season ends?

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100 Per Cent Wrong Club To Give Award To Leonard Lyles

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Thurs 1958

Atlanta, Ga. — Now it can be told. One of America's leading sports organizations has named its 1957 selections of the top names in athletics — The 100 Per Cent Wrong Club, a unit of the Atlanta Daily World, announces honorees and sets date for 1958 All-Sports Jamboree.

Friday, January 31, the 100% group honored Cleveland Browns' coach, Paul Brown and Brown's rookies Jim Brown and Milt Plum. Coach Brown received the Atlanta club's "Pioneer Award" "The Two Friends Award." Two and the Cleveland teammates years ago these sports citations went to Branch Rickey and Jackie Robinson and "Pee Wee" Reese, Brooklyn baseball stars.

Len Lyles, University of Louisville star back, has been selected as the football player of the year, while trackman, Elais Gilbert, Winston-Salem State Teachers College, North Carolina, is receiving a special award for his international track exploits. A second North Carolinian, Dr. Charles Ray, director of public relations, North Carolina College at Durham, will also be honored for his contributions to sports reporting.

Althea Gibson, tennis fame and the first lady of world tennis, and Hank Aaron, Mobile, Alabama's contribution to the world champion Milwaukee Braves will be awarded. Last year these awards were given to Heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson and Tuskegee's Olympic highjump champion Mildred McDaniel. Miss Gibson, in addition to having been named No. 1 among women tennis players for 1957, has been listed as one of the women of the year.

The "Rattlers" of Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, are scheduled to receive the W. A. Scott, II, Memorial Trophey in recognition of their having won the national Negro intercollegiate football championship for 1957. Coach A. S. "Big Jake" Gaither, FAMU and 1954 100 Per Cent coach of the year, will be in Atlanta with his coaching staff and team captain, James Williams, quarterback. who will be honored guests at the event.

Fred T. Long, Wiley College, Marshall, Texas, has been named coach of the year. Mr. Long, who has been engaged as a head football coach for more than a quarter of a century, is being honored for his having taken a small, private institution football team out of the cellar and making it one of the leading teams in the country. Wiley College finished among the top teams in 1957 season play.

Ray Dumont, National Baseball Congress, is being honored as the citizen of the year in recognition of his outstanding contributions to baseball. In basketball, the "Tigers" of Tennessee A—I State University, Nashville, will be cited for having achieved the Kansas City title of champions in the National Association of Inter-collegiate Athletics. Basketball coach J. B. McLendon of A and I will receive this award.

100% Wrong Club To Honor America's Top Sports Stars

Daily Word Atlanta, Ga. Sun. 1-5-58

America's prize - winning sports personalities of the 1957 sports year will be cited at the 23rd annual All-Sports Jamboree of the Atlanta Daily World's 100 Per Cent Wrong Club, January 31 at the Waluhaje Ballroom.

The award dinner will be a highlight of a three day Festival which opens Thursday night January 30 with a "Kickoff Party" in the Recreation Room of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company and climaxes with the "Final Gun Get-Together" Saturday night, February 1.

A ritual who's who of Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and U. S. sports celebrities will be on hand for the gala party which is lauded nationly as the No. 1 sports award affair in Bronze America.

The 100 Per Cent Wrong Club's top award will go the Cleveland Brown's coach Paul Brown and the Browns' rookie star Jim Brown and Milt Plum. Coach Brown will receive the "Pioneers Award and the Cleveland teammates are listed for The Two Friends Award. Two years ago these sports citations went to Branch Rickey and Jackie Robinson and Pee Wee Reese, Brooklyn baseball stars.

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The "Rattlers" of Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, are scheduled to receiybe the W. A. Scott Memorial Trophy, named in honor of the founder of the Atlanta Daily World and one-time All-American star at Morehouse College. A&M won the national Negro intercollegiate football championship and climaxed an unbeaten season defeating Maryland State 27-21 in the famed Orange Blossom Classic.

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Coach A. S. (Jack) Gaither, FAMU and 1954 100 per cent coach of the year will be in Atlanta with his coaching staff. James Williams, Rattler quarterback and team captain, along with '56 SIAC players of the year and Chicago Bears' rookie star Willie Gallmore will accompany A&M President George William Gore to Atlanta.

Cleveland's Paul Brown To Receive Award In Atlanta, January 31st

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Player of the year award will go to Miss Althea Gibson of tennis fame and Hank Aaron, Mobile, Alabama's contribution to the world champion Milwaukee Braves. Last year these awards were given to heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson and Tuskegee's Olympic high jump champion Mildred McDaniel Miss Gibson, in addition to having been named as the No. 1 tennis player in the world, is the United States' "athlete of the year."

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Len Lyles, University of Louisville star back, has been selected as football player of the year, while trackman, Elias Gilbert, Winston Salem State Teacher College, is receiving a special award for his international track exploits. A second North Carolinan. Dr. Charles A. Ray, director of The News Bureau North Carolina College at Durham and director of the CIAA News Services, will be honored for his contribution to sports reporting.

Ray Dumont, president of the National Baseball Congress, is being honored as the citizen of the year in recognition of his outstanding contributions to baseball. J. B. (Jonny) McLendon will be cited for having won the NAIA basketball championship at Kansas City during March, 1957.

The "Pioneer" and "Two Friends" awards honor the memory of the late A. F. Herndon, founder and first president of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company, which is on of the sponsors of the annual sports event in Atlanta. The Coca-Cola Company, also a sponsor of the sports celebration, supports the award to the national Negro intercollegiate football champions, coach of the year and others excelling in athletics.

L. Thompson, Atlanta housing expert, is president of the 100 per cent Wrong Club, while Marion E. Jackson, sport editor, Atlanta Daily World, is club coordinator. The Moss H. Hendrix Organization, Washington, D. C., public relation firm, handles the promotions for the annual sports event.

Plenty of Stars

Highlights of 1957 Sports

By BILL BROWER

The fading year was a great one for Negro athletes; it provided their staunch adherents some great moments, too.

It was marked, also, by controversy — the most provocative erupted over Jackie Robinson's retirement from baseball.

The year got under way auspiciously. Jim Brown was the hero for Syracuse. Three touchdowns, three conversions, as the Orange was edged by Texas Christian, 28-27, in the Cotton Bowl at Dallas.

Collins Hegler starred (two touchdowns) as Iowa beat Oregon State, 35-19, in the Rose Bowl at Pasadena.

Courier

THEN CAME a bitter pill: Sugar Ray Robinson was decisioned by Gene Fullmer for the middleweight title. P. 24

Sandy Saddler, featherweight champion, was forced into retirement by failing eyesight.

Carmen Basilio kayoed Johnny Saxton in the second round for the welterweight title.

Pittsburgh Pa.

BUT ALL THE news was not bad.

Phil Reavis, Villanova, bettered the AAU indoor high jump record of 6 feet 9¼ inches by a leap of 6 feet 9½ inches.

Dave Ricketts, Duquesne star, set a national collegiate record of 42 straight foul shots.

Joe Brown retained the lightweight title with a TKO over Bud Smith.

NORTH CAROLINA won over Kansas (Wilt Chamberlain and Maurice King) in triple overtime, 54-53, for the National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball championship.

Bradley (Bobby Joe Mason, Joe McDade, Shellie McMillon and Curley Johnson) won over Memphis State, 84-83, for the National Invitational Tourney championship.

The Boston Celtics (Billy Russell) copped the National Basketball Association title, defeating the St. Louis Hawks, 125-123, in double overtime. Russell grabbed 244 in 10 games for a rebound record in the NBA playoffs; the old record was 207 in 12 games.

RAY ROBINSON regained the middleweight championship, knocking out Gene Fullmer in the fifth round.

Gene Baker, Chicago Cubs infielder, was dealt to the Pittsburgh Pirates in a multiple-player deal.

Harry Simpson was traded to the New York Yankees in a switch involving several players.

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ALTHEA GIBSON won the Wimbledon women's tennis title, an unprecedented feat for a tan athlete.

For the first time in history, three tan athletes comprised the outfield for the National League in the All-Star game, Frank Robinson, Cincinnati, in left; Willie Mays, New York, center, and Hank Aaron, Milwaukee, right. The American League was victorious, with Minnie Minoso of the Chicago White Sox in a starring role.

Floyd Patterson kayoed Hurricane Jackson in his first heavyweight title defense.

MISS GIBSON added the U. S. women's tennis title to her growing list of championships.

Hank Aaron was the hero in Milwaukee as his 10th-inning homer gave the Braves a 4-2 National League pennant-clinching victory.

Aaron won the NL home run championship and led in several other offensive departments.

Wes Covington, Braves' left-fielder, was the fielding star and Aaron was the hitting star as the Braves won the World Series from the New York Yankees, 4-3, in a best-of-seven set.

Aaron was voted the most valuable player in the NL.

Patterson knocked out Pete Rademacher in the second defense of his title.

Jim Brown starred in pro football for the Cleveland Browns. He set the National Football League single game individual rushing record by gaining 237 yards against the Los Angeles Rams. He also won the individual ground-gaining championship and was a cinch for rookie of the year.

Larry Doby was traded to the Baltimore Orioles by the Chicago White Sox. The Sox also traded Minoso to the Cleveland Indians and obtained Al Smith in a four-player deal.

Jim Pace, Michigan halfback, was voted the most valuable player in the Big Ten Conference.

Miss Gibson was designated the No. 1 woman tennis player in the country.

High School Sports

Clinton Star Rearing Own Cheerleader

Times P. 43

Most senior class high school athletes these days are thinking about regents, sports scholarships and prom partners. But Alvin Reid, a serious, 18-year-old student-athlete at DeWitt Clinton High, is thinking about baby bottles and breadwinning as well as books and his basketball future.

After playing a major role in Clinton's upset victory over Boys High in the final of the Public Schools Athletic League basketball tournament Saturday night, Alvin went to the Reids' Harlem apartment, where his mother, his wife of 19 months and the couple's 1-year-old daughter were waiting to help their hero celebrate the triumph.

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As usual, baby Elizabeth was hungry, so Alvin heated the bottle and fed her, as he generally does every night.

"I think of baby Elizabeth all the time," Alvin said yesterday, "but I was thinking about her more than ever during Saturday's game. I want her and my wife and mother to be proud of me.

"There were a lot of big-time scouts and college coaches watching the game and it was a good chance to show them what I could do. I'll never be able to go to college without a scholarship and I'd like to continue my education. I don't want to be just another guy with just another job."

New York N.Y.

Excels on Defense

Alvin, who is a master playmaker and defensive operative, tallied 13 points against Boys High. He impressed observers with his spirited all-court ball-hawking, which harassed the loser's attack throughout.

For Read, though, there was no time for basketball during the first half of the 1957-58 campaign. He had fallen behind in his studies and he was forced to work full time to supplement the earnings of his mother. His wife, who is 17 years old, had enough to do caring for Elizabeth and attending to her secretarial studies.

Reid, who had been one of Clinton's most consistent performers in his sophomore and junior seasons, found employment at New York Hospital, where he toiled from 3 to 12 P. M. daily as a clerk in the hospital's recovery room.

Books and bottles awaited his return home each night.

"Baby Elizabeth always seemed to get hungry when I had a lot of homework to do," he said, "but in a way that was good for me. Gave me a chance to relax and take my mind off the books for a while. Anyway, I looked forward to the feedings. It's so much fun fussing over the baby."

But for Alvin it was no fun going to school at 7:30 A. M. after studying and catering to the baby till all hours.

The New York Times

Alvin Reid

A Problem in Economics

"Getting up for school; that was rough," he recalled. "Most of the time I fought to keep awake in class and did a pretty good job of it except in economics. For some reason, I always seemed to cork off in economics."

Alvin had no intention of returning to scholastic basketball, but his loyalty to Hank Jacobsohn, his coach, and to his teammates overshadowed his own problems.

Although Clinton had been faring well in league play, the team missed the leadership and steady playmaking that the talented Reid had provided. Friends went to Reid, who is known to his class-mates as Pop, and told him he was needed. When the second half of the season began last February, Reid again was wearing a Clinton uniform.

"When Alvin quit the team to go to work, you could see how sad he was," said Alvin's mother. "After his friends came to him he asked me if I could carry the financial burden until the season was over. I told him we'd give it a try. We've been doing fairly well, but sometimes I wonder how we did it."

Things are brightening, though, for Alvin Reid and his family. Of course there are still baby bottles, books and breadwinning to think about (he feels sure that one day this week he will find another full-time job). There also is graduation in June, and his prospects for college scholarship have improved. The young man called Pop has come a long way.

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Sports of The Times

By ARTHUR DALEY

The Helpful Hercules

PHILADELPHIA, May 28—Orlando Cepeda headed out of the hotel in Phoenix last spring with a golf bag slung over a shoulder. Manager Bill Rigney of the Giants evinced surprise at this new manifestation of versatility by his rookie wonder.

"I didn't know you were a golfer," said the skipper.

"No golfer," answered Cepeda. "I caddy for my friend, Ruben Gomez."

Cepeda is still eager to help his pal. The other day the hot-headed Ruben became embroiled in a fracas in Pittsburgh. The first man to rush to his assistance was the mild-mannered and gentle giant among the Giants, Cepeda.

If the alert Willie Mays hadn't tackled him and pinned him down, there could have been serious trouble. As it was, the two roomies, Gomez and Cepeda, were fined $100 each. Besides, Gomez is a much better golfer than fighter. He plays winning golf but hasn't won a big league fight yet.

Brother Act

If the tempestuous Ruben keeps getting involved in brawls—which he will—Orlando will get an undeserved reputation as a rowdy. But loyalty comes first with him. Since the roomies both hail from Santurce in Puerto Rico, the more worldly wise Gomez has taken the 20-year-old fledgling under his wing. And Cepeda gives him the admiring devotion he'd bestow on an older brother.

Orlando, a first baseman and not a Florida city, is the biggest star of the latest Giant rookie crop. He's the biggest in many ways. He stands 6 feet 2 inches and weighs 205 pounds. Yet he has so much speed afoot that he can outrun anyone else on the team. Not only does he hit for average (.350 or so) but he hits for distance (a dozen homers). Perhaps he's not in Bill Terry's class as a fielder, but he's more than adequate. Best of all, he still isn't old enough to vote.

Orlando Cepeda seems such a clumsy handle for a ballplayer. Does he have a nickname?

Cepeda flashed a smile.

"Yes," he said in his earnest but halting English. "My father, Pedro, he was Perucho and they call me Peruchin, or Little Perucho. He was the best ballplayer Puerto Rico ever have." Pedro's son said it proudly.

The first time Perucho saw Peruchin play ball was when Orlando was 10.

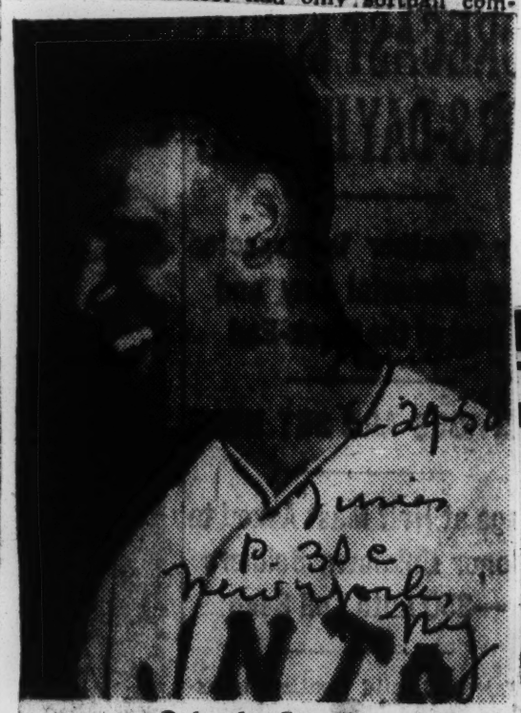
"I pretty good," said Orlando. "But I no hit the ball. Ha, ha."

By the time Cepeda was 15 he was as heavy as he is today, but he was four inches shorter, making him a bit of a butter ball. However, he soon grew up to the poundage. Now he's a trim, cat-like powerhouse.

"I no play baseball in high school," he said. "I jump center in basketball and one day I make 37 points. Good, eh?"

Orlando pantomimed a man hooknig right-handed and left-handed, shooting long, short, behind his back and blind-folded. Then he gestured with the sweeping movement of a ball singing through a basket as if pulled by a string. Obviously it was one of those I-couldn't-miss games.

Since the school had only softball competition, Orlando went in for baseball during the summer. When he was only 16, he wound up on the Santurce team managed by Herman Franks, now a Giant coach.



Orlando Cepeda
A mighty man is he

"He looked like a hitter even then," said Herman. "But I didn't use him much because he was such a big, blubbery kid. He was a third baseman and I once had the notion of converting him into a catcher."

"Aha," said Orlando. "Charley Fox managed me in 1956 at St. Cloud. He want to make catcher of me. I say no."

Successful Veto

Cepeda beamed warmly, quite pleased that his veto had impelled Fox to try a different switch in position, a transfer to first base.

"I field everything at third," explained Orlando. "But the throw—what you say?—she woost."

He waved his hand in a half-dozen directions, indicating that he had been a scatter-armed thrower as a third baseman.

Not for a moment, though, had there been much doubt about his hitting ability. He led the Class D League at Kokomo in 1955 with a .393 average, including twenty-one homers. He led the Class C League at St. Cloud in 1956 with a .355 average, including twenty-six homers. He leaped up to Triple A ball in Minneapolis last season and did remarkably well with .309 and twenty-five homers.

"I'm sold on him," said Rigney. "He's such a bright-eyed and intelligent-looking kid, a swell boy. He has a chance to be a real exciting player. Any big man who can run, throw and hit will start any manager babbling."

The only thing that can get Cepeda into trouble is an explosive temper, not his, but Gomez'. Orlando is a pleasant, friendly type and never would get into a fight on his own. But as Ruben's bodyguard he'll rush to the rescue every time his roomie is endangered. It therefore behooves Gomez to develop self control as a means of saving not only his own neck but also that of his roomie, Orlando Cepeda.

Fans Given No Satisfaction

Tigers Boycott Appears Certain

Courier Pittsburgh, Pa. Sat. 5-10-58 p.25

DETROIT—A boycott of Briggs Stadium seems almost certain now following last week's meeting between Tiger President Havey Hansen, vice president Harry Sisson and the Briggs Stadium boycott committee.

The committee and the two top Detroit Tigers' officials met for two-and-one-half hour no-decision conference last week in the Tigers' plush offices in Briggs Stadium.

HANSEN REFUSED to set a definite date when a Negro would be given an opportunity to play on the parent club despite continued pressing from the Rev. George Hill Jr., dean of the United Theological Seminary, and chairman of the committee.

"Our policy favors bringing up a Negro and we are doing everything we can to accomplish it," Hansen declared. "But I'm not going to set a time limit because I can't . . . we're interested in winning baseball games not in gate receipts."

The group also consisted of Atty. Fred Persons and Mrs. Katie Montgomery. Hill said they would hold a mass meeting May 7, and bring "the results" of the conference "to the people."

The committee promised that it would initiate a boycott of Tiger games at Briggs Stadium unless Hansen promised to "set a definite date" concerning when a Negro ball player would be hired for play with the major league team.

Hansen, somewhat peeved, told the group: "You've taken the wrong approach . . . you hold meetings, issue statements to the newspapers, circulate handbills all before you come out to talk to me, not knowing what our policy is.

"You come in here with a big stick which you think will force us to hire a colored player . . . we may have a Negro next week . . . as soon as we can find one good enough . . . nothing else will force us to do it before."

HE SAID, "Instructions have been given to our scouting and coaching staffs. We want a colored player on Detroit Tigers but we don't want one just because he's colored. He has to be good, too."

The Tigers now have 17 Negroes in their farm system. Only two, however, are considered big league material. They are Jim Proctor, 22, a hard-throwing pitcher, who won 10 games and lost two last year he's with Charleston) and Osvaldo Virgil, a 26-year-old third baseman also with Charleston.

Virgil hit .293 in the first 10 games this year.

Hill challenged Hansen's statement that Proctor was ready last year, but wasn't brought up because of his status with the draft board. He wanted to know why the pitcher is not ready this year.

The Courier later learned that Proctor is suffering arm trouble

this year.

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Hill said the boycott against the stadium will be launched despite Hansen's warning that "you will be violating the law."

The committee also questioned the stadium's jim-crow hiring policy in the number of jobs available there and was informed that 22 Negroes are presently on the payroll in minor or menial jobs.

SPORTS OF THE WORLD

BY MARION E. JACKSON

The storybook heroes of SIAC track are numerous. The misty-eyed sentimentalists will rejoice in the deeds of diamond-studded who's who that sizzled the cinders some 20 years. Few will question that the years between 1938 and 1942 were the most glorious in conference history. It was the era of such champions as Eddie Culp, Herbie Douglas, Lilburn Williams, Moselle Ellerbe, Lea Tarrant, Bubber Mitchell, Ulysses Amos, Norman and Herschel Holmes, and a galaxy of others.

Morehouse's fabulous squad of that era spotlighted Ulysses Amos, Madison Lee, Joe Allen, James E. Haines, Archie Nelson and George Mitchell.

Tuskegee Institute boasted such marvels as Raymond Head, Marvin Fretwell, Louis Slade, Upshaw Sams. This foursome rates with the incomparables of the all-time archives. It was magnificent.

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Xavier University's greatest were Gilder Farrow, Claude Paxton, Joshua Williamson, Clarence Doak, Arthur Baker, Robert Easley, Charles Belizaire, Wince King

Alabama State's brilliant aces included Bonds Henderson, Thomas Baugh, Charles Walker, John Jones, Clifford Stanley, Aaron Williams, William Turkm, Sandy Reid and John Graham.

Morris Brown's windbreakers were Cecil Franklin, Harold Duffield, Gilly Stokes, and John Neilson.

SIAC track has never repeated the genuine overall calibre of the competition which marked the years between 1938-42. For Morehouse, Tuskegee, Xavier and Alabama State track teams during this period dominated the Drake, Penn, Prairie View, Alabama State, Olympic and AAU meets.

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Tuskegee Institute's great relay quartet—Head, Fretwell, Slade and Sams—was nearly invincible having shattered records at most of the major American meets.

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The Associated Press, United Press and International News Service made headline copy of Ellerbe of Tuskegee, Tarrant of Alabama State and Culp of Xavier.

Ralph Metcalfe, the Marquette University Olympic star was beginning during this period a track dynasty at Xavier University. Bill Exum was chartering the pathways for Morehouse College, Dr. Orris P. Graves was the major domo at Morris Brown and the late Major Cleve L. Abbott was the pivotal force behind Tuskegee Institute's unforgettable foursome.

William O'Sheilds, then coach at Fort Valley State, had a deluxe quarter miler in Ernest Marshall, an all-time Wildcat great.

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Seven records fell at the '41 SIAC track meet. The standard of excellence which those marks portrayed is revealed in the fact that three remain on the record books until this day. They are marks established by Wilbur Young, 880 yards run, 1 min. 56.6 seconds; Morehouse College, One Mile Relay around 1 turn, 3 min. 21 seconds, and Herb Douglas' broad jump standard of 23 ft., 11 inches.

Moselle Ellerbe's 220 yards run championship set in 1938, the year of the inaugural meet, still is towering there at 20.6 seconds, and Xavier's Liburn Williams' discus throw of 149 feet, 6 inches has baffled SIAC challenger ssince the first SIAC competition. So has Claude Paxton's 120 yards hurdle masterpiece (14.6 sec.) set that year.

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If life moves in cycles, the SIAC had its next finest record-shattering year in '48, when Wendell Belfield toppled Ellerbe's century standard, and John Carrol of Tuskegee wiped out Eddie Culp's mark in the two mile run with a 9 min. 43 sec. jaunt.

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Only three records have been printed in the SIAC statistics since the conference passed the half-century mark. Xavier University is the architects of all three of these superlative efforts. One of these records was E. Robinson's javelin toss of 193 ft. 4 inches, which wiped out James E. Haines' standard set at Morehouse (188 ft. 7 1-2 inches) in 1941.

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Lloyd Jeff, one of the finest distance runners in Gold Rush history, set a new mile mark of 4 min. 17 seconds and Xavier wiped out Morehouse College's mile mark with a 3 min. 21 sec. effort in '56. The standard was set around two turns.

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Through the years, the SIAC has watched some fine competitors in the track passing parade. Few track lovers will forget Clayton Clark, the unforgettable Jamaican flash, who thrilled thousands here. Fred Guy, the Morehouse speedster was another fine sprinter. Alvin Harry, Wendell Belfield and Lloyd Jeff are Xavier's present day top-notchers. Charles Bivins, the Morris Brown gazelle, stands out among the present day greats.

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South Carolina State's Andrew Rodriques looms as one of the finest of the modern era hurdles and Morehouse's Willie Gary can find stardom in the distance competition.

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Since the inaugural meet in '38, exciting runners have dazzled the throng at the SIAC meets. There will be many more. However, the record books support our thesis that the years between 1938 and 1942 were among the finest SIAC competition has known.

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Xavier University's track supremacy has resulted a competitive heritage that no rival to this day has equaled. It is likely to go on for some years to come.

Branch Ricky Honored By 1,000 Diners In Chicago

CHICAGO. — (ANP) — Branch Rickey, board chairman of the Pittsburgh Pirates but better known as the former president of the Brooklyn Dodgers, who broke open major league baseball to Negroes when he hired Jackie Robinson to become the first Negro player in big league baseball, received a tumultous welcome here Monday night. He was the guest of honor at a testimonial banquet held in the grand ballroom of the Conrad Hilton Hotel by Quinn Chapel African Methodist Episcopal church under the leadership of its pastor, the Rev. Archibald J. Carey, Jr.

More Than 1,000 Diners

More than 1,000 people attended the dinner, the largest affair of its kind ever given by a colored group in a downtown hotel. The interracial audience, composed of people from church, sports, official and every walk of life, cheered Rickey until the rafters rang as they heard him strike at prejudice in America and the world as unworthy of the democracy which America preached but failed to practice.

Governor, Mayor Attend

The appearance of the 76-year-old Rickey was his first since he was stricken by a coronary attack 10 weeks ago. Noted for his activity in civic and philanthropic affairs as much as for his wizard leadership in baseball, he practically preached a sermon as he was flanked by Governor William J. Stratten of Illinois and Mayor Richard J. Daley of Chicago, both of whom spoke in laudatory terms. Some 40 civic leaders sat at the speakers table, which ran the entire length of Chicago's largest dining room, straining to catch every word of Rickey's eloquent address. Ernie Banks and Lee Walls, Cub team home run hitters, and three of their teammates were present.

Ricky punctuated his address with numerous stories. Some of these included were about Jackie Robinson as he served as a guinea pig and proved that a colored player had the same ability and worth to measure up fully to major league competition. He said the crucial test of the innovation was not Jackie's playing ability, nor the player's attitudes nor that of the management, but of the great body of colored people.

There was the question of whether with their natural, understandable exhuberance and possible hero worship they might crowd the parks in such numbers as to alenate white fans, he said. He praised the restraint which colored fans exercised and revealed that a committee of colored citizens functioned to advise colored leaders and fans in various large communities and did its work well avoiding incidents.

Carey Organized Dinner

The dinner was a tribute to Archibald J. Carey as well as to the guest of honor. The great outpouring of people was a tribute to his popularity. He had managed every detail of the event. Carey, who introduced the speaker, is chairman of President Eisenhower's Committee on Government Employment Practices and Rickey is vice-chairman.

Urge Negroes To Vote

Rickey urged that Negroes take advantage of every opportunity to improve their position through education, through having people learn to appreciate them by their performance in whatever positions or jobs they hold, by exercising their power to vote which too many of them neglect, and through the power and expression of religion—love for their fellow man. "So long as there is a United States," Rickey said, "that which was done by Abraham Lincoln in making three and one-half million free ought to give us a heritage to make 150 million Americans free."

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Mays, Banks, Aaron Top List

Courier

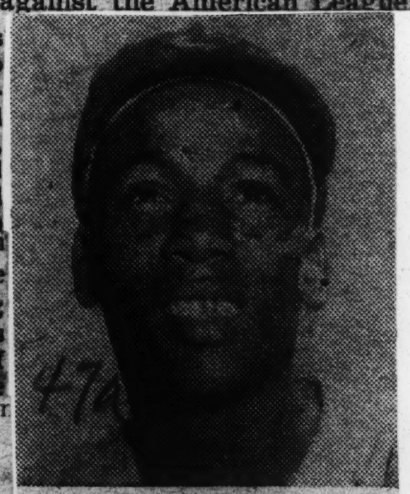
Six Negroes Placed On All-Star Squad

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Sat. 7-5-58

BALTIMORE, Md.—Three of baseball's biggest names, Willie Mays, Hank Aaron and Ernie Banks will be in the starting National League lineup when the annual All-Star game is played here July 8 against the American League.

The three National Leaguers were the only Negroes selected to this year's All-Star team in balloting conducted by players and managers. Three other Negroes, however, were picked by Fred Haney, manager of the National League, and Casey Stengel, who will manage the American League. The three were George Crowe, Cincinnati first baseman; John Roseboro of the Los Angeles Dodgers, and Elston Howard of the Yankees. The latter is the only Negro on the American League squad.



ERNIE BANKS

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MAYS, WITH 195 votes from the players, was second only to Stan Musial. Willie's closest competitor for the centerfield spot was Richie Ashburn of the Phillies with 34 votes.

Ernie Banks, the Cubs' hard-hitting shortstop, was far in front of the rest of the league in balloting for his position. Ernie came out of the ballot box with 184 points—fourth highest total in the two leagues.

Aaron, defending National League batting champion, captured the right field spot despite an anemic batting average. The Milwaukee Braves outfielder tallied 119 votes. In second place was Lee Walls of Chicago with 49.

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THE SELECTION of Crowe by Manager Haney was expected.

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Vic Power's Feat of Stealing Home Twice in One Game Points Up How Negro Stars Have Revived 'Lost Art'

When Vic Power, the versatile infielder with the Indians, stole home twice in one game recently, to defeat Detroit, 10-9, he once again stressed the verve, dash and color which Negro athletes have brought into the national pastime.

Power equalled a baseball record, and became the first American Leaguer in modern history to perform the feat.

It was a combination of things which made the feat possible. First, there was the element of surprise. Second, the fine cooperation between Vic and third base coach Eddie Stanky. Third, the knowledge that his manager had complete confidence in him.

To a person of Power's temperament, these things are important.

Those of us with long memories recall when Vic was Yankee property. But rumors had it that he was a bit "too independent" for the Yanks.

He's found himself with Cleveland. He likes his teammates; his manager, the front office. He will play the type of ball he's capable of, and he'll be an asset with his big bat and diamond moxie.

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Vic's TWO STEALS of home points up, once again, the contributions which Negroes have made to the game.

Negroes appear to have a "sixth sense," when it comes to running the bases.

Stealing had almost become a "lost art" when Jackie Robinson entered the major leagues back in 1946.

But Negro speedsters changed all that. They brought into the majors the things they had been doing in Negro baseball for years.

They brought the excitement, drama and spine-tingling action which flashing spikes and a cloud of dust bring, when runner, ball and the infielder arrive at the same split second.

Through the years, baseball had heard of Oscar Charleston, the incomparable "Fats" Jenkins, Josh Gibson, the one and only; Dolly Gray, Bobby Williams, Willie Wells, Jelly Gardner, Judy Johnson, Ted Page and others too numerous to mention. Then there were "Cool Papa" Bell, Dihigo, Jiminez, Pete Duncan, "Pops" Lloyd, Sam Bankhead.

But when Jackie came into the majors, the big bat had taken the place of the flying feet.

We changed all that. There was Jackie, then Larry. In swift succession came Minoso, Monte Irvin, Sam Jethroe, Willie Mays, Frank Robinson, Roberto Clemente, Curt Flood, Hank Aaron, Ernie Banks, Harry (Suitcase) Simpson, Wes Covington, Charlie Neal, Junior Gilliam, and others.

And so . . . while Power holds a record, vividly comes to our mind a night when Jackie stole home against the Pirates; when Monte took the short way home in the World Series game against the Indians.

We've rewritten the book of major league baseball . . . not only with our speed, but with our knowledge.

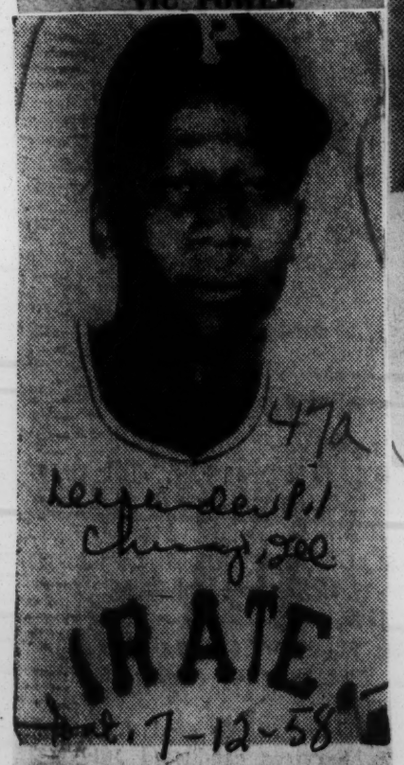
Jackie made 'em change a rule, when he deliberately got hit by a batted ball to break up a double play.

Satchel Paige made 'em rewrite the book with his now-famous "Hesitation Pitch."

Give us the chance . . . and we're on our way!

VIC POWER

C. Stevens has been optioned by the Pittsburgh Pirates of Salt Lake. The Pirates brought Dick Stuart to replace Stevens. Stuart has a .319 average with 30 homers and 80 RBI's. (UPI telephoto)



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Legendary Pitcher Chuck Tee

PIRATE

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SENT DOWN — First baseman R.

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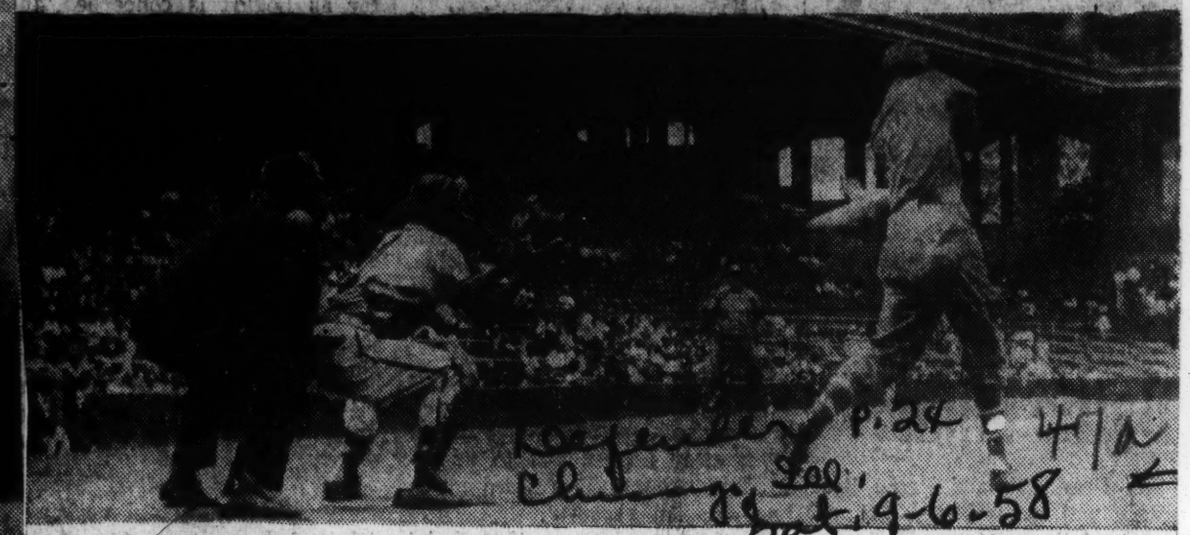
Double Exposure—Robert and Richard Haines, Montclair's (N. J.) now-famous twins, 18 years old, signed by the Philadelphia Phillies of the National League for a reputed $75,000 and assigned to the team's Applachian League farm club. The twins, all-state in almost everything in athletics at Montclair High School, were sought by every major ball club and more than 25 colleges. Phillies' scout, Bill Yancey, had his sights set on the Haines brothers for over two years.

26th East-West Action



JACKIE ROBINSON, former Brooklyn Dodger star, (right photo) throws out first ball for 26th annual East-West game Dr. J. B. Martin, Negro American league president, hidden behind Jackie, also participated in game opening ceremonies. Left photo shows Eddie Alston bouncing out to Willie Washington, West third baseman, in the second inning.

RUBEN AMARO, former Buff shortstop, was, Sunday, called up from Rochester to become a member of the parent St Louis Cardinals. A weak hitter, but a clever glove man, Amaro is expected to help the Cards in the defensive department as Leo Durocher formerly did in the Red Birds' pennant winning days.

Umpire is Simon Lewis, the catcher for the West is Arthur Hamilton. (Defender staff photo by Pulley.)

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Old Ball Players Hold Third Annual Installation Banquet

By DAN BURLEY

The boys from yesteryear took over the stage at the recent third annual installation banquet of the Old Ball Players club of Chicago and Evanston and more than 150 guests at the Sigma House relived the thrills of baseball days gone by as the old-timers brought back keen memories.

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Jesse Owens and Ralph Metcalfe, both former Olympic track stars of world renown, were the principal speakers. Owens is youth commission for the state while Metcalfe is alderman of the third ward.

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REVIEWS RECORD

Owens reviewed his own spectacular accomplishments as a sprinter and praised the Old Ball Players club in their efforts to keep alive the Negro tradition in sports which in the past have opened the door for the Robinsons, Mays, Campanellas and other headliners in the big leagues today.

Metcalfe talked about various competitive pursuits and the values of continued friendships, social and business contacts of sports. He said the assembly hall was too small to house all the ardent supporters of the Old Ball Players organization. Metcalfe presented Appreciation Awards to five of the club's outstanding members.

Other speakers were Dr. J. B. Martin, president of the Negro American League, his colleague, Esquire Little; State Rep. William H. Robinson, Mrs. Sarah (Rube) Foster, and Mrs. Geneva Lewis, widow and sister respectively of the late Andrew (Rube) Foster, "Father of Negro Baseball," Alderman Claude W. B. Holman, Mrs. Maurice Davis and "Father" of the club, the beloved Charlie (Joe) Green.

ANDERSON FOUNDER

Bobby Anderson, founder of the club, who also founded the now defunct Olde Tymers Assn., of Chicago, outlined the purposes and operations of the club. Joe Green came on and brought the house down as one of the top after dinner speakers in sports as he told baseball joke after joke and outlined the deeds of the former players.

Hallie Harding, sports columnist, praised the club and Dr. Martin announced that the annual East-West Game would be held in August at Comiskey Park. Mrs. Foster, urged a stepped up drive for new members. Robinson, who obtained the club's charter, lauded the progress of the organization. Nick Roberts, president of Local 356 ALF, explained why he was an award winner and is now in the union business. Hannibal Cox, past president of the club, handled the installation ceremonies.

GUEST LIST

Among those present were the James McKinneys of Oakland, Calif., guests of vice president Roosevelt Hudson; J. R. Thomnson, manager of Lincoln Cemetery (not looking for business, the boys hoped), Mr. and Mrs. Marion Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. William Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Felts, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. William (Fox) Jones, Mr. and Mrs. William Harris, the club auditor; Mr. and Mrs. Elwood (Bingo) DeMoss, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Bacon, Sandy Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert McKendre, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Buford, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Hall, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Jefferson, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Davis, Mr. and Mrs. U. Gaines, Joseph Montgomery and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Hall.

MOTHER OF NEGRO BASEBALL — Honoring Mrs. Rube Foster, widow of famed Andrew (Rube) Foster, "Father of Negro baseball," at recent Old Ballplayers Club banquet at Sigma House, are old-time star Charles (Joe Green and Elwood (Bingo) DeMoss, Standing, left to right, Bobby Anderson, Sandy Thompson, William (Fox) Jones and Jimmie Lyons, all stars of yesteryear.

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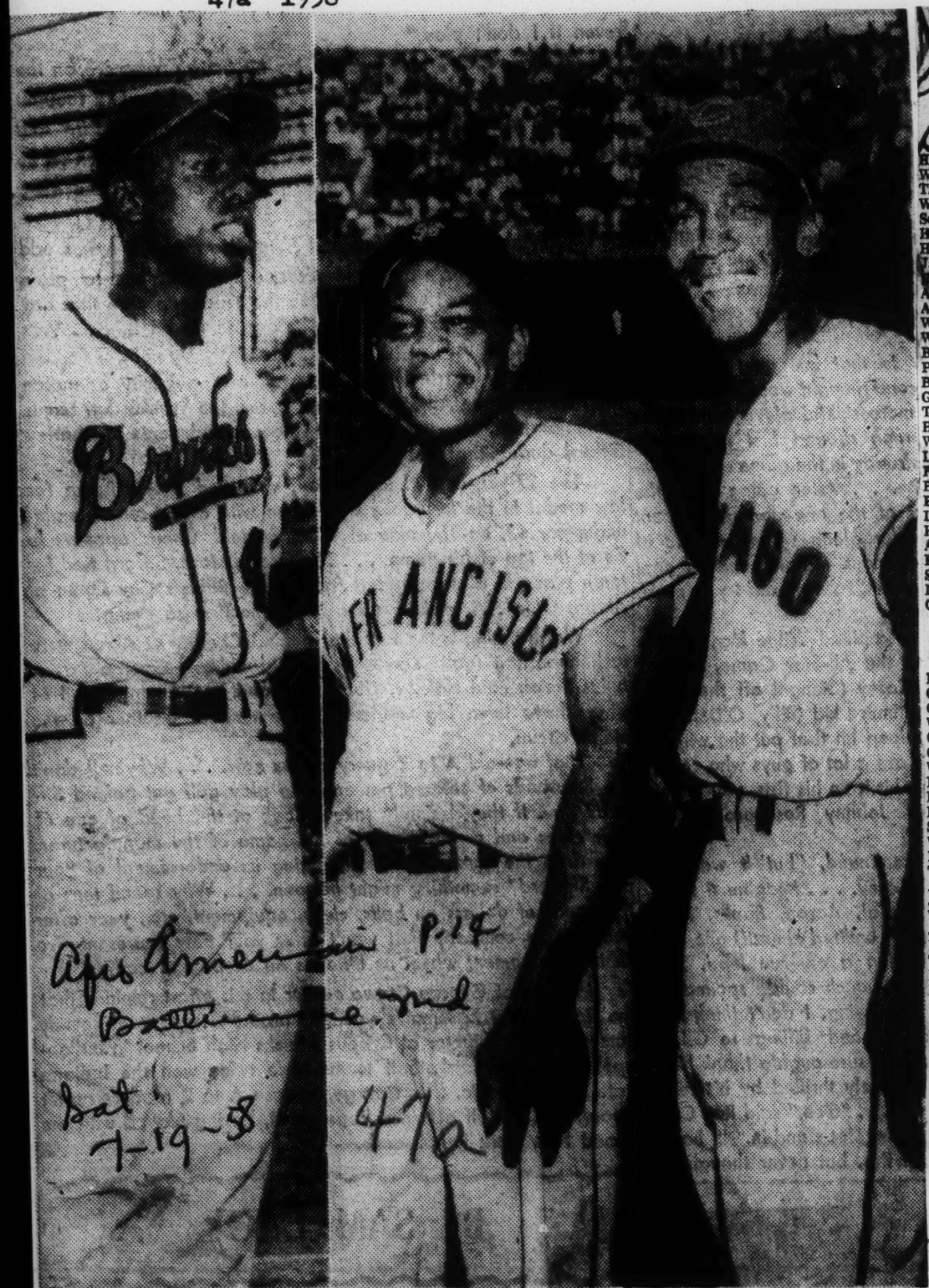

HANK AARON, Willie Mays and Ernie Banks played prominent parts in the 25th annual All-Star game in Baltimore Tuesday, though the National League lost, 4-3. Aaron rightfield, Milwaukee Braves; Mays, centerfield, San Francisco Giants; and Banks, shortstop, Chicago Cubs, played the entire game at their respective positions.

NAL averages

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INDIVIDUAL BATTING

(75 or more at bats)

	POS	GAME	AB	H	PCT
H. Hair, KC		28	109	24	41	376
Williams, Bir		31	115	30	41	357
Thomas, Det		22	79	21	28	354
West, Det		30	132	35	45	341
Self, KC		35	176	32	54	307
Bassett, Mem		31	108	22	32	296
Harris, Bir		31	107	24	31	290
Jarvis, KC		31	95	22	27	284
Henry, Det		31	78	8	21	269
Alston, Det		26	101	16	27	267
A. Strozier, Mem		30	108	15	28	259
Washington, KC		40	138	35	35	254
White, KC		44	169	33	41	243
Barnes, Mem		31	107	9	26	243
Porter, Det		32	108	21	26	241
B. Jackson, Bir		22	71	12	17	239
Gibson, Mem		31	105	20	25	238
Tidmore, KC		46	200	33	47	235
Hill, Mem		26	85	11	20	235
Wilkins, Det		31	111	14	26	234
LaGrands, Det		26	78	16	18	231
Robinson, KC		46	161	27	37	230
Bass, Bir		33	127	28	29	228
Banks, Mem		31	97	24	22	227
Ivory, Bir		32	133	23	30	226
Hamilton, Det		28	94	10	19	202
A. Jackson, KC		29	101	14	20	198
Bailey, Bir		31	109	15	21	193
Sanders, Bir		33	111	19	20	180
L. Harris, Mem		27	86	25	15	174
Griggs, Bir		30	105	11	16	153

PITCHERS' RECORD

	G	IP	R	H	W	L
Harris, Det	10	42	9	22	7	0
Grigsby, KC	8	51	16	33	5	0
Cain, KC	2	18	3	10	2	0
Wright, Mem	2	15	6	9	1	0
Childress, Det	6	53	13	29	5	1
Gross, Bir	9	43	34	45	4	1
W. Smith, Bir	10	54	16	43	6	2
McCullum, KC	6	33	25	31	3	1
Pride, Mem	11	61	31	62	7	3
Riley, Mem	5	20	7	18	2	1
Simmons, KC	7	39	36	47	3	2
Walker, Mem	9	56	29	51	3	3
Nance, Det	3	15	11	19	1	1
T. Smith, Bir	4	15	10	13	1	1
Adams, KC	10	60	35	62	3	4
Jackson, KC	11	55	32	51	3	4
Williams, Mem	9	53	36	53	2	3
Jones, Bir	10	48	30	46	2	3
Pondexter, Det	9	39	41	48	2	3
Townsend, KC	10	75	57	59	3	6
Elliot, Bir-Mem	10	54	39	51	1	2
Billingsley, Bir	5	34	24	28	1	2
Lee, KC	6	27	27	19	1	2
Cotton, Det	9	23	35	38	1	3
Calidonia, Det	9	41	46	57	1	5
Welch, Bir,	7	33	35	51	0	4
Calloway, Det	2	11	17	18	0	2
Nolan, Det	6	26	26	30	0	1
Winston, Det	2	12	9	9	0	1
Strozier, Mem	1	9	7	5	0	1
Murray, Det	2	8	17	15	0	1
Fleming, Det	2	8	5	5	0	1
Nash, KC	2	12	10	12	0	2

Big League Figures

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BATTING

Player and Club	g	ab	r	h	2b	3b	hr	rbi	sb	pct.
Wagner, Giants	37	120	16	41	4	0	6	15	1	.342
Howard, Yanks	69	241	32	82	17	5	9	50	1	.340
Mays, Giants	105	418	76	141	22	9	17	57	21	.337
Covington, Braves	60	194	31	63	4	0	20	56	0	.325
Power, Indians	98	391	67	125	25	7	8	51	1	.320
Aaron, Braves	103	406	76	129	26	0	25	65	3	.318
Cepeda, Giants	104	423	62	132	19	2	21	68	10	.312
Doby, Indians	52	116	19	36	4	1	6	21	0	.310
Banks, Cubs	108	433	82	132	18	9	31	90	2	.305
Boyd, Orioles	79	240	31	72	12	3	5	23	0	.300
Minoso, Indians	102	376	64	108	18	1	15	50	10	.287
Crowe, Redlegs	80	258	24	74	11	5	7	50	1	.287
Clemente, Pirates	98	346	39	98	15	4	4	34	3	.283
Flood, Cardinals	87	298	35	84	15	2	6	32	2	.282
Roseboro, Dodgers	76	252	32	69	7	7	9	29	6	.274
Bruton, Braves	60	191	26	52	7	2	1	14	2	.272
Neal, Dodgers	103	361	69	97	7	6	19	54	4	.269
Gilliam, Dodgers	103	397	55	106	20	5	2	35	8	.267
Thomas, Giants	40	91	9	24	4	0	1	8	0	.264
Thurman, Redlegs	65	122	19	32	6	2	4	16	0	.262
Robinson, Redlegs	99	369	56	96	14	3	19	48	7	.260
Lopez, Athletics	101	363	58	94	14	1	9	46	1	.259
Virgil, Tigers	48	191	19	49	10	2	3	19	0	.257
Kirkland, Giants	81	285	32	73	16	3	10	38	2	.256
Simpson, Athletics	66	176	11	44	6	1	4	21	1	.250
Smith, W. Sox	100	355	44	88	16	4	9	40	3	.248
Mejias, Pirates	50	89	10	22	2	2	3	13	1	.247
Alou, Giants	46	130	13	32	6	1	4	12	4	.246
Taylor, Cubs	102	363	45	85	11	1	3	16	12	.234
Harrell, Indians	77	185	32	43	4	0	7	19	10	.232
Mantilla, Braves	64	168	29	39	5	0	7	16	1	.232
Becquer, Senators	55	108	3	25	3	0	0	9	0	.231
Fernandez, Phils	98	342	25	76	11	4	4	24	5	.222
Battey, W. Sox	46	115	20	25	4	0	6	20	1	.217
Jackson, Cubs	9	20	2	4	1	0	1	3	0	.200

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PITCHING

Player and Club	g	ip	h	bb	so	cg	sho	w	l	era
Pizarro, Braves	3	27	19	12	19	3	0	2	1	1.67
Jones, Cardinals	24	175	137	65	146	10	2	9	8	2.47
Grant, Indians	28	157	123	76	82	9	1	9	8	3.56
Johnson, Orioles	20	82	73	25	49	2	0	3	7	3.84
Lawrence, Reds	31	143	157	43	52	6	2	6	9	4.26
Robinson, Braves	12	19	16	9	11	0	0	1	3	4.74
Gomez, Giants	31	134	143	49	76	6	1	6	9	5.04
Beamon, Orioles	15	37	37	17	17	0	0	0	3	5.36
Newcombe, Redlegs	21	96	126	24	42	4	0	2	10	5.81

All-Negro Team Loses In Tourney

WICHITA, Kans. — (UPI) — Earl Wilson slammed a three-run homer in the second inning Wednesday night and pitched a six hitter as the San Diego, Calif., Marines advanced into the fifth round of the National Baseball Congress Semi-Pro tourney with an 11-2 win over Jasper, Tex.

The All-Negro Jasper club was eliminated and San Diego came out of the game with a record of three wins and one defeat.

The game was called at the end of seven innings under the tournament eight run rule. The Marines collected 13 hits off three Jasper pitchers.

Tigers Add First Negro Player

FROM WIRE REPORTS.

The Detroit Tigers added their first Negro player Thursday, becoming the 15th major league team to do so since Jackie Robinson joined the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947.

Ossie Virgil, 25-year-old native of the Dominican Republic, is the new Tiger. A third baseman, Virgil had driven in 34 runs in 50 games with Charleston, W. Va., in the American Association, and was hitting .292.

Virgil was with the Giants last year, but was traded to Detroit in January, along with Gail Harris, for Jim Finigan and cash. Hoyt Morgan, 25-year-old righthanded pitcher with a 6-0 record and .098 earned run average, will come to the Tigers Friday with Virgil. Detroit farmed out utility man Lou Skizas and pitcher Bob Shaw to make room.

The move leaves only the Boston Red Sox with a history of no Negro players . . .

Final returns show a 24,293-vote margin in favor of Chavez Ravine for the Los Angeles Dodgers baseball stadium, in the Los Angeles election. The tally: yes, 345,435; no, 321,142 . . .

The San Francisco Giants did not have to move. Dan Topping, president of the New York Yankees, said he had offered the Giants the use of Yankee Stadium but was rejected before the National League club quit the city for the West Coast last year.

Denying charges the Yankees had chased the Giants out of New York, Topping said "we offered Horace Stoneham (Giants' owner) the use of Yankee Stadium at his own terms for two years—longer if he needed it while a stadium was being built here in New York City for his team." . . .

Tim Tam goes after his ninth straight victory and the Triple Crown in Saturday's Belmont Stakes, and if the horse succeeds the win will make up for some neglected recognition due his daddy, the great Tom Fool.

The case of Tim Tam, obscured by Silky Sullivan's headlines before the Kentucky Derby and Preakness victories, is similar to how Tom Fool was overshadowed by Native Dancer in 1953. Native Dancer, a three-year-old then, won nine races out of 10, losing only the Derby, and appeared on television. But Tom Fool, a four-year-old weighted down by the handicappers, won all 10 of his races, was recognized as horse of the year and was retired. . .

The presidents of the American and National Leagues will meet today to discuss tightening the rule on so-called "dust-off" pitches in the major leagues . .

Althea Gibson gained the women's singles semifinals in the North England Championships with a 6-2, 6-3 win over Yola Ramirez of Mexico. Another American, Karol Fageros, also advanced, defeating Rosa Maria Reyes of Mexico, 6-4, 6-4. U. S. hopeful Janet Hopps lost to Ann Shilbock of England, 7-5, 6-1, who will play Miss Gibson today. Maria Buena of Brazil got the other berth . . .

Mickey Wright shot a one-under-par 69 to take the first-round lead in the Ladies' PGA golf tourney at Pittsburgh. Kathy Cornelius and Marilyn Smith both shot 71s to tie for second place. Beverly Hanson, Fay Crocker and Wiffi Smith each shot a 72 . . .

OSSIE VIRGIL
. . . Joins Tigers

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AARON IMITATES COVINGTON LAPSE

Other Braves Fan Dispute—Between Bystanders—Haney Silent on Plans

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By ROSCOE McGOWEN

Fred Haney, the little pilot of the Milwaukee Braves, wasn't happy after yesterday's loss to the Yankees. Neither was his losing pitcher, Lew Burdette.

But there was no evidence of unhappiness among the other Braves. There were, in fact, some moments of hilarity, of which more later, since they had nothing to do with the ball game.

Haney, although pressed, refused to name his pitcher for the sixth game, which will be played tomorrow in Milwaukee's County Stadium. "Look, I've just got into the clubhouse," he said." "I have had no chance to talk and I'm not going to name him. I'll do that tomorrow when we work out at noon."

Before the series started Haney had said that if it went seven games Warren Spahn would be able to have three day's rest for the finale. But he added that he had found that Burdette could pitch with only two day's rest. So perhaps Burdette, despite his loss yesterday, will be the seventh-game pitcher if a seventh game is needed.

Rush Seen as Starter

But for the sixth game, which is all the Braves need to wrap a second successive world series triumph, the guess will have to be Bob Rush, who lost the third game, his only world series start.

In the dressing room Burdette had no alibis for what had happened to him, although he made some observations that might have been expected from a losing pitcher.

"McDougald hit a bad ball—about even with the peak of his cap," Lew said, speaking of the Yankee second baseman's home run in the third inning for the first score of the game.

Then Lew added a bit wryly: "The ball hit the foul-pole screen 301 feet away. If the foul pole had been 310 feet away the ball would have been foul, wouldn't it?"

Whit Wyatt, the Braves' pitching coach who had praised Spahn so warmly after Sunday's game, said "it was just one of those days" for Burdette.

"Early in the game the Yanks were hitting those long fly balls," said Wyatt. "Nobody does that to Burdette when he's right—they hit 'em on the ground. I thought then that Lew wasn't quite right."

Speaking of Bob Turley's magnificent pitching, Wyatt said, "I didn't know he had a curve ball that good." "He must have thrown more curves today than fast balls and he had great control of them."

Mathews, Crandall Agree

The Milwaukee players, Eddie Mathews and Del Crandall, for instance, agreed that Turley had made most of his ten strikeouts with the curve ball rather than with the fast one.

Wes Covington, smiling as always, said "no comment" when asked whether he had lost McDougald's long drive in the sun in the sixth inning.

At that moment his outfield team-mate, Henry Aaron, who had just emerged from his shower, put on a clowning act that he intended as in imitation of Covington staggering aimlessly as the ball dropped. Covington only grinned some more.

That was the hit that bounced into the stands just in front of the 402-foot sign. It went for a ground-rule double and drove in the third and fourth runs of the six-run inning.

Crandall was told that Burdette had said Yogi Berra "hit a good pitch" when the Yankee catcher doubled to right. The hit drove in the first run of the big inning.

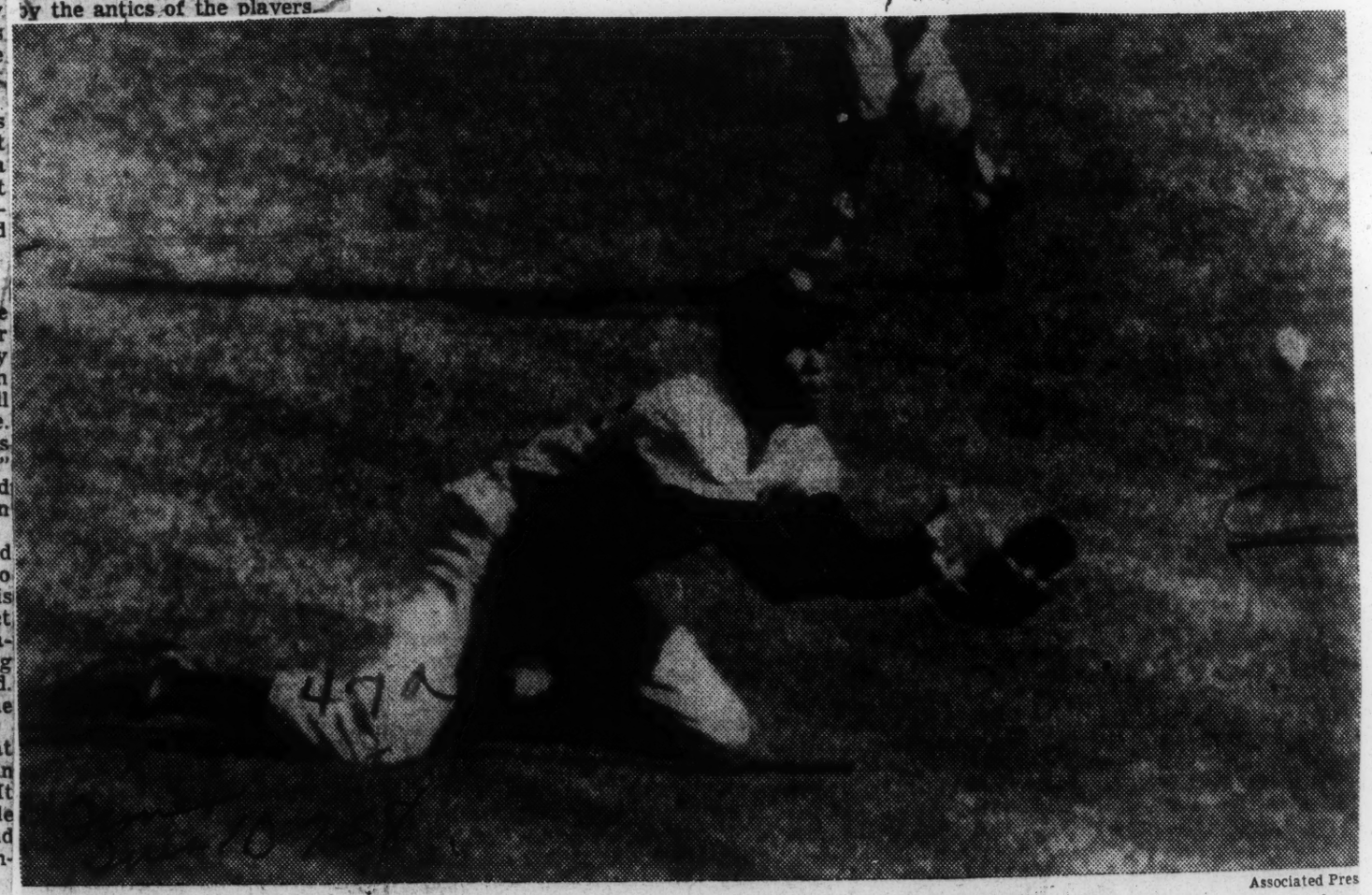
"Did Lew say that? asked the smiling Crandall. "Whateevr he says is all right with me." From which it might be deduced that Del disagreed but wasn't going to say so.

As for the mirth of the Milwaukee players, that came soon after the dressing room was opened. It was caused by a rather spirited exchange between a New York writer and Frank Slocum, Commissioner Ford Frick's aide, whose job it is to police the clubhouse after each game.

The reporter complained that the writers "had been treated like animals—put in a cage and pushed around by the cops."

Matthews, Crandall, Covington, Bob Buhl, Aaron and several other Braves surrounded the writer and Slocum, egging them on. The impish Del Rice borrowed a pad from a reporter and pretended to take notes.

Slocum wasn't amused but the indignant reporter lost some of his indignation and was finally stirred to laughter by the antics of the players.



Associated Pres

Yankee left fielder Elston Howard makes a diving, crawling catch of Red Schoendienst's fly ball in sixth inning. By so doing, he thwarted what could have been a Brave rally. Instead, he threw to first to double Billy Bruton.

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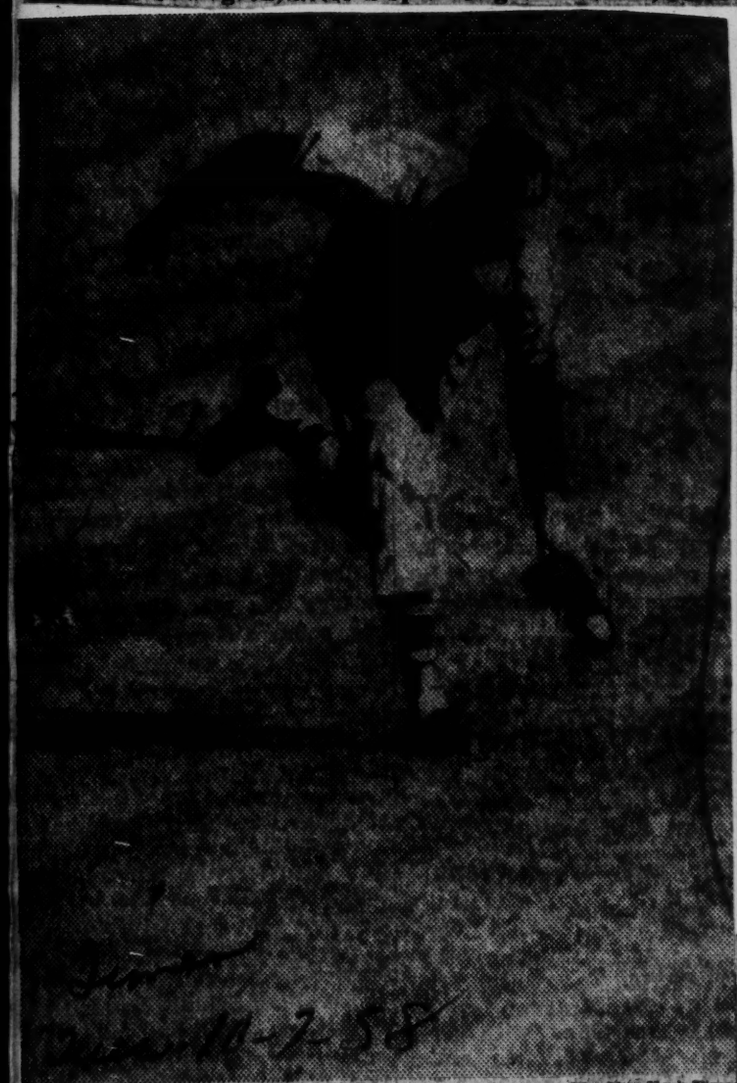
By the eighth inning the Braves were still making the plays in the field, though not at bat. Wes Covington, after a sprawling somersault, came up with fly hit by Tony Kubek.



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Bruton, however, was not caught off base on this one. In first inning he made running catch of Jerry Lumpe's liner.

Negro Players Participate In Eight Straight W Series

BY CHARLES J. LIVINGSTON
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MILWAUKEE, Wis — When the 56th World Series of baseball opens in County Stadium here, Wednesday, Oct 1, seven tan players—Hank Aaron, Wes Covington, Billy Bruton, Felix Mantilla, Juan Pizzarro and Humberto Robinson, for the World champions Milwaukee Braves and Elston Howard for the New York Yankees—were on the roster of the opposing teams. Almost all of them were expected to see action in the best of seven autumn classic.

For the Braves, "Hammerin Hank Aaron was the standard bearer. He was backed by such stalwarts as Daggers Wes Covington. Ed Mathews, Joe Adcock and Frank Torro, and infielder Red Schoondionst and pitcher Lew Burdette, the man who mastered the Bombers with his low ball pitching last year.

BRAVES BANK
ON TAN STARS

By and large the Brewers lean heavily on its tan contingent. This group has been augmented by the return to the Braves lineup of fleet centerfield Bruton, who was sidelined with a knee injury at mid-season last year and was forced to watch his teammates battle the Yanks in the Series from a hospital bed. The ladoff batter, Bruton is noted for getting on base and covers considerable acreage in the outfield. Next to Willie Mays, he is considered by many as the fastest line drive chaser in baseball. Although they are fundamentally long ball hitters, the Yanks are noted for hitting long drives.

AARON A THREAT

Aaron, the Braves chief block buster in the Series last year as in regular season play this year, presents the biggest problem for the Yanks. A damaging hitter with powerful wrists, he has been known to chase outside pitches from pitchers who tried to pitch away from hits. He hits to all fields, hitting the ball where it is pitched, and foods on fast balls. He is sure to get his share of fast balls from the likes of Bub Turley and reliefer Ryne Duron. Also, Don Larson, who pitched the historic no-hit perfct game against Brooklyn in the '56 Series, presented no problem to Hank last fall.

Hank filled in for the injured Bruton in last falls classic but will be back in familiar territory at rightfield in this series. Aaron finished the season with a .328 batting average, with 30 home runs and 95 runs batted in, to place third place in the league in the latter department.

Covington finished with a .333 batting mark, the fourth highest in the league. He also hit 24 home runs and drove in 75 runs. A portside swinger, he presents a formidable problem to Casey Stengel, the crafty Yanks manager.

Bruton and Mantilla compild .282 and .227 averages, respectively, although in all fairness, Felix was at bat only 220 times.

Pizarro, chased by the Yanks last fall, will be seeking revenge this time. Sent to Wichita by the Braves this season to master his control, the little Puerto Rican lofty returned in last season to compile a 6-4 won-lost record.

HOWARD YANKS ACE

As far as the Yankees are concerned, there is no doubt that Howard is one of their chief aces in the hole. Howard appears to have taken away the catcher role from veteran Yogi Berra and has developed into one of the American Leagues most dangerous hitters. Howard finished fifth in the junior circuits batting race with a .316 average, clouted 11 homers and drove in 65 runs.

A long ball hitter, Howard also hit well in series play. In the fifth game of the series last fall, he thrilled a capacity audience in County Stadium he walloped a three-run homer that wiped out a three-run deficit and put the Yanks back into the game. The Braves won the game, however, and the series, 4 games to 3.

Statisticwise, this is e ight straight series in which Negro players have appeared, and the 10th of 11 since Jackie Robinson broke the color bar and appeared in the '47 classic Tan players have appeared in every series since then, excepting the '50 lily-white classic between the Yanks and the Philadelphia Phillies. The Yanks won that one handily in four straight games.

Also for the second time since '54, a Series team will field an all-Negro outfield. This will consist of Aaron, right field, Bruton centerfield, and Covington, left field. In the New York Giants-Cleveland Indian series in '54, Monte Irvin, Willie Mays, and Hank Thompson constituted the outfield for the Giants.

This may also be the richest series, eclipsing last years mark in gate receipts, which totaled $5 475 978 94

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Major League Strikeout Leader

Jones Is No Longer Sad Man of Mound

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ST. LOUIS—It took Sad Sam Jones a long time to find a permanent baseball home, but it has become apparent by now that the longer the 32-year-old pitching ace hangs around St. Louis the more the fans of the St. Louis Cardinals will like the idea.

The reason for jubilation over Sam's pitching ability is easily explained. Since coming to the Cardinals from the Chicago Clubs in 1957, Jones has been one of the best pitchers in all of baseball, even though the records may not tell the complete story.

Last season, Sad Sam won 12 games and dropped nine for the Cardinals. His record this season is currently 11 wins and nine loses. That, however, is not the entire story.

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FOR THE LAST two seasons, Jones, who has always been bothered by his inability to put the ball over the plate with consistency, seemed to have conquered his biggest diamond dilemma.

Two years running, 1955 and 1956, Jones, while pitching for the Chicago Cubs, led the National League in strikeouts with 198 and 176, respectively. While there was nothing wrong with those figures, it must also be pointed out that Sam also led the league in each of those seasons in walks with 185 and 115. So many bases on balls caused him to be a losing hurler both seasons.

Last year, there was a sudden change in the hurler who chews toothpicks instead of tobacco. He no longer was the wild man of the mound. Over the year he walked only 71 batters and struck out 154. With his wide assortment of pitches, it seemed only natural that Sam became a winning hurler.

This season, Jones, who first came into the major leagues with Cleveland back in 1951, seems to be better than ever before.

In winning his 11th game of the season Friday against the Philadelphia Phillies, the hard-throwing right-hander struck out 14 to tie a major league record of most strikeouts in a night game. For seven innings in that contest, Jones was working on a no-hitter until a homer in top of the eighth snapped the string.

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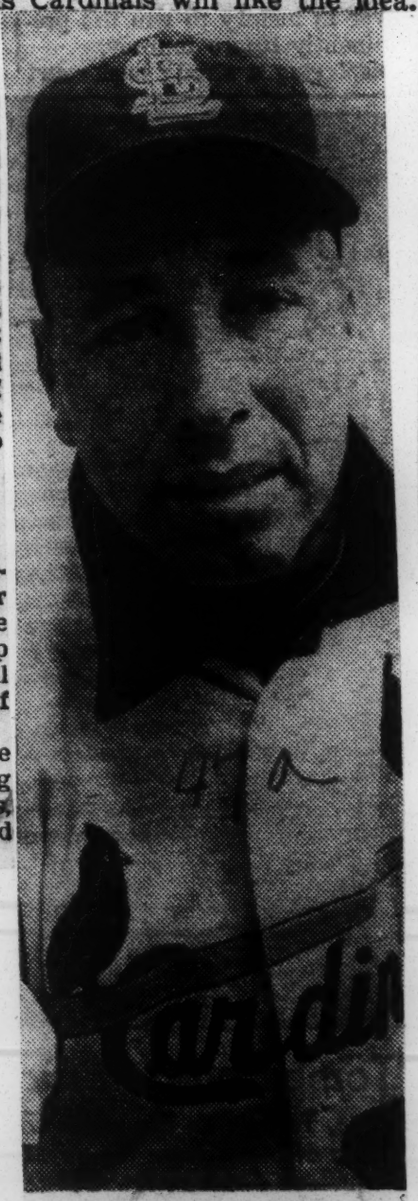
RIGHT NOW, Jones leads the majors in strikeouts and there is a possibility he might break his own major league mark of 178 strikeouts in one season. And even better, in the eyesight of Sam and the Cardinals, is the fact that his control continues to improve.

Sam's assortment of pitches has been the envy of most of baseball's outstanding hurlers.

He throws overhanded, three-quarter and side-armed. This year he has been using a lot more frequently a slider and change-up to go with his jumping fast ball and back-breaking curve, one of the best in baseball.

All in all, Jones appears to be a pitcher who is just coming into his own. If he ever arrives, there won't be a pitcher around who will win more games.



SAD SAM JONES

Monte Irvin to manage N. Carolina All Stars

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HIGH POINT, N.C.—Ex-major leaguer Monte Irvin will be back in uniform on Sunday, when he manages the Central American Association All-Star team in a game with the champion Durham Rams.

The game will be played at Finch Field beginning at 2 o'clock.

This will mark the ex-Giant star's second foray into the South as a manager. He piloted the All-Stars to victory over the Fayetteville Cardinals in Durham, N.C., last August.

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ONE OF the game's most colorful players in his heyday, Irvin was noted for his power hitting and the dramatic comeback he staged after breaking his leg in 1951 to lead the New York Giants to the National League pennant.

Players on the All-Star nine will come from the following teams: the Burlington Braves, Winston - Salem Pond Giants, High Point Red Sox, Franklinton Red Caps, Asheboro Rams, Charlotte Giants, and the Fayetteville Cardinals.

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Haines Twins Ink $75,000 Contracts With Philadelphia

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PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The Philadelphia Phillies National League Ball Club picked up a double-barreled talent insurance policy last week when the fabulous Haines twins of Montclair, N. J., inked a contract with a reported bonus of $75,000.

The double signing marked the end of a two-year struggle by Philly's scout, Bill Yancey, to ward off all opposition for the two six-footers, Richard and Robert Haines, whose diamond activities have been overshadowing their high school competition.

The twins are 18 years old and both top 200 pounds. Richard, an outfielder, has already pole-axed out a 470-foot home run, which in high school hitting means sending a ball over into the next county. He was batting .450 at Montclair high, where both boys were June 1958 graduates. Robert, also a long-ball hitter, established a schoolboy record as an infielder with 12 assists in one game.

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THE BROTHERS are relinquishing a four-year scholarship at Ohio State University, and have been approached by at least 25 other schools. Richard was an All-American high school halfback in football, All-State on the gridiron and All-State in baseball for three years. Robert was picked as the most valuable player in the American Legion All-Star game.

The twins left Sunday (June 29) for Johnson City, Tenn., where they will play on the Philly's all-rookie team in the Appalachian League. Jim Gallagher, chief of Phillies' scouts, who signed the pair, is recalled as the same person, then general manager of the Cubs, who signed Ernie Banks.

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CELEBRATION BY GIANTS—The San Francisco Giants are happy fellows in their dressing room after defeating the Redlegs in a game in Cincinnati, 5-1, further tightening the National League pennant race. Left to right: Johnny Antonelli, winning pitcher; Shortstop Daryl Spencer! Orlando Cepeda, who hit 3-run homer; Willie Mays and Manager Bill Rigney.

Senators' Julio Becquer:

Loves Baseball So Much He'd Play Free

DETROIT—Baseball owners take heart. Soon you may be able to field a whole team of outstanding players for nothing more than the expense of uniforms, room and board.

In fact, according to one young professional player, you've been sleeping this good thing for sometime.

Julio Becquer, lithe utility infielder for the Washington Senators of the American League, is convinced that he plays the game because he likes it. Not because of the filthy lucre.

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"MONEY IS TOLD the Courier, "is a secondary thing with me. I love the game. And I believe this is true of most major league players. In fact, many would play for nothing because they love the game so much," he added.

There it is. Just the way the man said it.

But Julio backs up his words with deeds. About love, that is. The 25-year-old Havana, Cuba-born athlete, plays ball the year round. When he finshes the season with Washington, he returns to Cuba and plays five months with the Marianao Tigers in the Cuban Winter League.

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THE OLDEST OF eight children, Julio played ball only in his spare time while attending a Havana university and working as a bookkeeper. His uncle encouraged him to play ball and finally, Joe Cambria, a Washington scout, got a glimpse of him and signed him to a contract.

He began with a Class C team of the Canadian League, moved from there to Havana in the Florida, International League. From there he went to the Pacific League and the American Association where he played with Louisville. In all, he has been a professional six years.

He loves Washington and declares, "I would not want to play for any other team. It has been swell to me . . . from top to bottom."

But he's somewhat irked that he can't play more regularly. "I'm a good field, no-hit type of player. But I believe I could improve my hitting if I played as a regular," he pointed out.

He started out weighing only 135 pounds, but he has put on 45 pounds in these six years, bringing his weight to a solid 180 pounds. The added weight, he believes, will be a definite factor in improving his hitting.

"My one big problem right now," he continued, "is a tendency to go after the bad ball. I have no trouble with the curve. I believe I'm too anxious to make good, rather than not knowing better than to chase bad balls."

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JULIO, A HANDSOME youth, is a "family type" player in that he doesn't care for night clubs or gay times. Single, with no serious romantic ties, he likes TV, good books and jazz. He supports his family in Cuba.

Despite the fact that "many players love the game so much, they would play for nothing," Julio believes that baseball offers a young player a golden opportunity to make a lot of loot.

He prefers night baseball today, and plans to be an accountant when his playing days are over.

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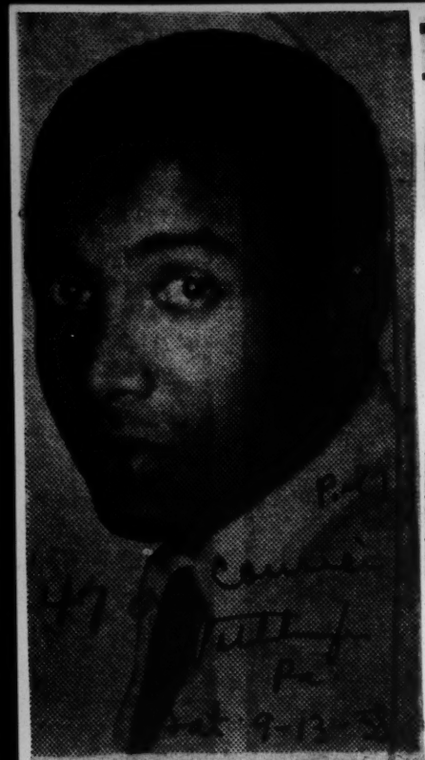

JULIO BECQUER
. . . would play for nothing

Three in Organized Ball

Rodgers Brothers A Boon to Baseball

NASSAU, Bahamas—These British resort islands, once an outpost for such traditional English sports as cricket, soccer and rugby, are becoming increasingly fertile fields for American baseball scouts.

Already several Bahamian athletes are under contract and assignment to major league farm clubs, and several other youths have been tabbed for future consideration when the baseball talent-seekers return for later sessions.

THREE OF the athletes — all assigned to farm clubs of the San Francisco Giants—come from one family. They are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Rodgers of Nassau and all were graduates of Bahamas cricket field before finding their niche in America's national sport.

Top prospect and tabbed as a player sure to stick in the majors before long is the oldster of the family, 23-year-old Andre Rodgers. The 6-foot-3, 195-pound shortstop currently is sparkplugging the Phoenix, Ariz., Giants in their fight to stay atop the heap in the Pacific Coast League scramble.

Andre was sent down by the parent Giants this season and proceeded to peel off hits in 20 consecutive games. Swatting at better than a .400 clip, Rodgers' power has helped Phoenix greatly. His fielding, too, has earned the praise of Phoenix Manager Red Davis. "He's a hundred per cent better fielder this year than last," Davis says.

Adrian Rodgers, a 21-year-old six-footer, is playing this season with the Wellsville team in the Class D New York-Pennsylvania League. Capable of handling any infield position deftly and a good hitter, Adrian's progress was hampered last season by injuries and a sore arm.

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LATEST OF the Rodgers brothers to leave for pro baseball ranks this season is 18-year-old Lionel who headed for the St. Cloud Minn., Giants on June 21.

A strong-armed 170-pounder who's still growing at the six-foot mark, Lionel is rated a prime project. His lightning reflexes and keen sight are assets both on the field and at the plate, but it will be another year before he devotes himself to full-time baseball. Lionel still has another year of schooling to complete at St. Augustine's College in Nassau before making baseball his career.

Lionel moved up to the Class C team in the Northern League after a good season last year with the Hastings, Neb., Giants in the Class D Nebraska State League.

For Hastings, Lionel batted .331 with 42 hits in 43 games, including four doubles, three triples and a pair of home runs.

Talent scouts have discovered that the Rodgers pool isn't yet dry. Little Roy Rodgers, not yet in his teens, is a hustling member of Nassau's Junior Baseball League.

Another Bahamian prospect is 20-year-old Anthony Curry.

The broad-shouldered, speedy outfielder packs 185 pounds on his 5-11 frame and is still growing. Curry spent last year with the Tampa Tarpons, a Class D farm club of the Philadelphia Phillies in the Florida State League.

FOR TAMPA, Curry hammered the ball at a .333 clip during 137 games and impressed club officials with his power and hustle. His collection of 186 hits included 13 triples, tops in the league; 32 doubles and four homers.

That work earned Anthony promotion to the Class B High Point-Thomasville team, the Phillies' entry in the Carolina League, and Curry is continuing the good work in faster company.

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Manual 9 Is Favored To Win Unprecented 5th State Crown

Courier-Journal Louisville, Kentucky Wed 6-4-58 P7

By EARL COX, Courier-Journal Staff Writer

Lexington, Ky., June 3.—Ralph Kimmel's pet gripe may develop into an absolute phobia Wednesday when the 18th annual State High School Baseball Tournament gets under way at University of Kentucky's Stoll Field.

Kimmel, coach of defending state champion Louisville Manual and a scout for the Boston Red Sox, has long denounced Kentucky's one-loss-and-out baseball tournaments. A superior team can have one bad inning and can lose to an inferior team in just one game, Kimmel argues.

Or a superior team can run up against a club with just one outstanding pitcher who will silence the bats of the superior team.

The latter could well be the fate awaiting Kimmel's Crimsons — who look as if they may be one of his better clubs — when they go against Fort Knox in the second of four games at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Fort Knox is led by southpaw Monroe Hadden, a curveballer who is something of a phenom and who doesn't have to take a back seat to any member of Manual's deep and talented hurling corps.

If Manual gets by Hadden and Fort Knox, the Crimsons, mainly because of the depth of their pitching, will become overwhelming favorites to win an unprecedented fifth state title. Manual and Newport Catholic each have won four championships.

Big Schools Dominate Spots

The eight spots in the tourney are dominated by big schools. In addition to Manual and Fort Knox, these teams made it to the two-day tourney: Shelbyville, Maysville, Owensboro, Ashland, Harlan and Paducah Tilghman.

Shelbyville, like Manual, drew a rough opening assignment. Evan Settle's Red Devils will have to face the southpaw slants of Allen Smith, a basketball star who is headed for L.S.U. on a cage grant-in-aid. They play at 9 a.m.

Owensboro, second choice in the tourney behind Manual, opposes Ashland's Tomcats at 2 p.m. while Tilghman will clash with Harlan at 4:30 p.m.

Semifinals are scheduled for 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Thursday with the title contest set for 4 p.m.

THEY OPEN TOURNEY . . . Northern Kentucky's representatives in the State High School Baseball Tournament opening today at Lexington are the Maysville Bulldogs. They'll face Shelbyville in the tourney opener at 9 a.m. Front row (left to right) are R. Alexander, D. Green, D. Faris, E. Fetters, D. Hutchinson, D. Murphy and W. Tolle. Back row: H. Gilbert, V. Green, K. Smith, B. Reetz, B. Hutchinson, E. Hazlip, J. Allison, A. Smith and Coach Woodie Crum.

Banks Leads the Way

Negroes Having Banner Year in Homer Production

NEW YORK—The once familiar faces of Jackie Robinson, Roy Campanella and Monte Irvin may no longer grace the rosters of National League teams but the booming echo of big bats by Negro stars is louder than ever.

Never before in the 11 years Negroes have been in the major leagues has there been a greater demonstration of long-ball hitting by tan stars.

WITH ERNIE BANKS, who hit 43 homers in 1957, yeading the way, tan stars are playing a dominate role in the homer parade.

As of Sunday, Banks, the power man of the Chicago Cubs, was tied with Frank Thomas of the Pittsburgh Pirates as the senior circuit's leading homer hitter. Banks and Thomas both had socked 26 homers out of various parks around the loop. Ironically, both were tied for the lead in RBI's with 73.

Banks, however, isn't the only beige star making his homer power felt. High up among the league leaders are Hank Aaron, defending homer king of the Milwaukee Braves; Orlando Cepeda and Willie Mays of the high-flying San Francisco Giants, and Wes Covington of the Braves.

Aaron, off to a slow start this season, has been gaining ground rapidly in homer production. As of Sunday, the slim swatter of the Braves had hit 20 homers, enough to rank him fourth in the league.

TRAILING AARON with 19 round-trippers is Cepeda, the phenomenal Giants' rookie who has found National League pitching made to order. Not only does Cepeda rank high among the league's homer producers, he trails only Thomas and Banks in RBI's, with 59, and figures to go over the 100 mark in this department.

Mays, who has trailed off in homer production during the past month, still ranks among the leaders with 16. Willie's RBI is also near the top of the heap.

PROBABLY THE most amazing of homer titles has been put together by Covington, who appears to be the key to a successful Milwaukee attack. Playing only part time, due to a knee injury that has kept him on the bench much of the season, Wes has still managed to come up with 15 homers. The latest figures show him hitting a robust .343.

While these batters pound the ball with authority, two of the top homer producers of last season are finding it tough to get the ball out of the park. Frank Robinson and George Crowe, both of Cincinnati, are behind the home run pace they set last season. Robinson, as of Sunday, had 12 circuit clouts to his credit, while Crowe has only six.

Drabowsky Goes Route—

Cubs Rout Roberts, Slam Phillies, 11-5

CHICAGO, June 4 (AP)—Hot-hitting Ernie Banks, National League homer and RBI leader, slammed his 15th and 16th circuit blasts today as the Chicago Cubs rode an 18-hit attack to a 11-5 triumph over Philadelphia's Phillies.

Chicago's Lee Walls also hit his 14th homer in a game which produced a new major league record as Bobby Thomson, batting eighth in the Cub lineup, was intentionally passed three times. The old mark was two such gratis passes shared by many players.

Philadelphia's Robin Roberts lasted less than three innings in suffering his sixth loss of the year.

The Cubs' Moe Drabowsky turned his seventh start into his third victory and second complete game by checking the Phillies on 10 hits.

Drabowsky had one rough inning, the fifth, when Solly Hemus and Rip Repuslki each slammed two-run homers.

Banks' second homer, giving him a total of four runs batted in for the game and 47 for the 49-game season to date, was an inside-the-park drive off the center field fence. Richie Ashburn bounced off the wall chasing the ball and collapsed as Banks sped around the bases.

Right Fielder Wally Post finally retrieved the ball, but the play at the plate was much too late to head off Banks.

After first aid, Ashburn walked of fthe field. Bob Bowman replaced him in center.

The Phillies used a total of six pitchers as the Cubs clobbered them for a seasonal high of 18 hits. The Chicagoans also left 16 runners stranded as they reached double figures in the run column for the second straight day.

After the four-run third which routed Roberts, the Cubs settled for three two-run spurts to get their 24th victory in 49 games.

PHILADELPHIA (5)	ab	r	h	rbi	CHICAGO (11)	ab	r	h	rbi
Ashburn,cf	2	1	0	0	Goryl,2b-3b	6	0	0	0
Bowman,cf	1	0	1	0	Adams,3b	6	1	2	0
Hemus,2b	5	1	1	2	T.Taylor,2b	0	0	0	0
A'erson,1b	5	1	1	0	Walls,rf	6	3	3	2
Repulski,lf	5	1	2	2	Banks,ss	5	4	3	4
Jones,3b	4	1	1	0	Moryn,lf	3	2	2	0
Lopata,c	4	0	3	0	Long,1b	5	1	3	1
Post,rf	4	0	1	1	S.Taylor,c	5	0	2	3
K'anski,2b	4	0	0	0	T'omson,cf	2	0	1	0
Roberts,p	0	0	0	0	D'bowsky,p	5	0	2	0
Meyer,p	0	0	0	0					
aSimmons	1	0	0	0					
Hacker,p	0	0	0	0					
Hearn,p	0	0	0	0					
bPhilley	1	0	0	0					
Gray,p	0	0	0	0					
cEssegian	1	0	0	0					
Miller,p	0	0	0	0					
Totals	37	5	10	5	Totals	43	11	18	10

aCalled out on strikes for Meyer in 5th; bGrounded out for Hearn in 6th; cCalled out on strikes for Gray in 8th.

Score by innings:

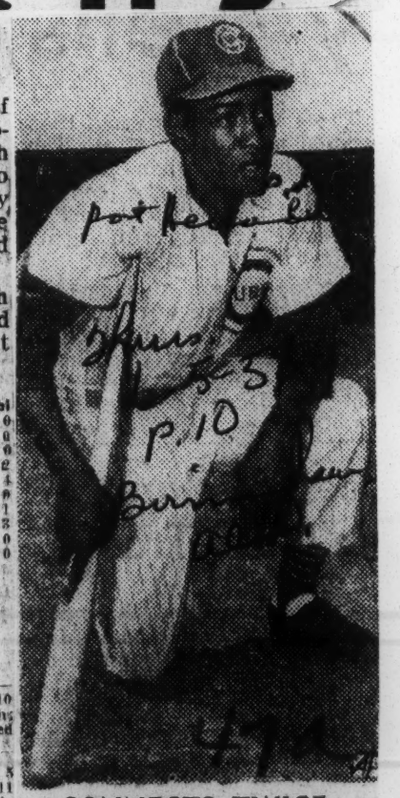
Philadelphia	000	040	010	— 5
Chicago	104	220	02x	—11

E, Hemus. Kazanski. Po-A. Philadelphia 24-10. Chicago 27-10. DP. Hemus and Anderson. Left. Philadelphia 8, Chicago 16. 2B, Moryn, S. Taylor 2, Lopata, Post. 3B. Walls. HR, Walls, Banks 2, Hemus, Repulski.

PITCHING SUMMARY

	ip	h	r	er	bb	so
Roberts (L, 5-6)	1⅓	9	5	4	0	0
Meyer	1⅔	2	2	2	3	1
Hacker	⅔	3	2	0	0	0
Hearn	⅓	0	0	0	0	0
Gray	2	2	0	0	3	0
Miller	1	2	2	2	1	0
Drabowski (W, 3-5)	9	10	5	5	3	4

HBP, Meyer (Banks). U. Donatelli, Crawford, Smith, Dascoli. T. 2:44. A. 5289.



CONNECTS TWICE — National League homer and RBI leader Ernie Banks kept up the pace yesterday, hitting two home runs and driving in four runs as the Chicago Cubs defeated Philadelphia 11 to 5.

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Negro American League Averages

TEAM BATTING

	G	AB	R	H	HR	PCT.
KANSAS CITY	48	1670	309	435	17	260
DETROIT	40	1274	229	325	16	255
BIRMINGHAM	33	1063	195	255	12	240
MEMPHIS	31	925	153	207	11	224

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TEAM FIELDING

	W	L	DP	PO	E	PCT.
BIRMINGHAM	15	18	29	832	38	967
KANSAS CITY	24	22	46	1131	84	950
DETROIT	19	20	24	972	86	939
MEMPHIS	17	13	23	777	44	917

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NAL LEAGUE LEADERS

John Williams of Birmingham, who was runner-up last week, took over first place in batting in the Negro American League with a .35[illegible] average, according to the latest Howe News Bureau statistics compiled from official score sheets.

Last week's leader, H. Hair of Kansas City, dropped to second with a mark of .354. Price West of Detroit is third with .320, followed by John Self of Kansas City with .3[illegible] and Ray Haggins of Memphis with .296.

Birmingham Ala

Self is high in hits with 60 and total bases with 90 and is tied with teammate White in triples with seven each. Eddie Alston and Bernie Porter, both of Detroit, are tied for the lead in doubles with 10 each.

Wed 8-13-58

Bobby Sanders of Birmingham has the most home runs, five. West and Willie Washington of Kansas City have the most runs batted in, 35 apiece, while the former also had scored the most runs, 38.

Lonnie Harris of Memphis has stolen the most bases, 15.

Aubrey Grigsby of Kansas City tops the pitchers with six wins and no losses. Detroit's Harris has won the most games, seven, while losing one.

Jesse Townsend of Kansas City has pitched the most innings, 80, and has struck out the most batters, 74.

Set August 24 For 26th Negro East-West Tilt

Delphinder

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The 26th annual East - West game, sponsored by the teams in the Negro American league, will be played at Comiskey park on the afternoon of Sunday, August 24 according to announcement made this week by Dr. J. B. Martin president of the loop.

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Martin also said that the game this year will be dedicated to the players on the two original teams many of whom have since died and to those players who have become members of teams in the major leagues.

Some of the players on those first two teams to play in this annual diamond classic were: Josh Gibson, Jug Wilson, LeRoy (Satchel) Paige, Norman (Turkey) Stearnes, Newt Allen, Frank Duncan, Larry Brown and Willie Wells.

Sat. 7-19-58

Products of the East-West game who have obtained major league status are Minnie Minoso and Larry Doby of the Cleveland Indians; Jim Gilliam, Los Angeles Dodgers; Ernie Banks, Chicago Cubs; Bob Boyd and Connie Johnson, Baltimore Orioles; Willie Mays, San Francisco Giants and Bob Thurman, Cincinnati Redlegs.

Jackie Robinson, the first tan player to break into the major leagues, and Roy Campanella, Dodger catcher who was seriously injured in an automobile accident last winter, also played in the East-West game. Robinson was signed to Brooklyn contract shortly after the 1945 game.

Last year the West defeated the East, 8 to 5, with James Banks, husky Memphis Red Sox first baseman; Bob Wilson, Kansas City Monarch centerfielder, and Ira McKnight, Monarch catcher, supplying the power at the plate. ~~In two~~ official trips to the plate Banks, who is now batting a lusty .364, rapped out a home and a single and stole a base. Wilson collected a single and a double in four trials and McKnight slammed out two singles in three attempts.

John Williams, Memphis right-hander, picked up the victory while the defeat went to Joe Elliott of the Birmingham Black Barons.

The East captured the 1956 classic, 11 to 5, with Willie Harris, Detroit Clowns, getting credit for the victory when his teammates allied three runs in the first inning off John Robinson, of Memphis, on three hits, including a double by Billy Joe Moore and a triple by John Williams, the extra base blows coming behind a walk, sacrifice and single.

runs. 42 apiece.

Lonnie Harris of Memphis has stolen the most bases, 16.

Willie Harris of Detroit is the leading pitcher with an 8-1 won-lost record Jesse Towsend of Kansas City has pitched the most innings, 89, and has struck out the most batters, 85.

John Williams Leads In Negro American League

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Atlanta Ga.

CHICAGO —Birmingham's John Williams still is the leader in batting in the Negro American League with a .357 average, according to Howe News Bureau statistics compiled from official score sheets.

H. Hair of Kansas City is second with a mark of .355, followed by Price West of Dertoit with .304 John Self of Kansas City with .300 and Will Harris of Birmingham with .297.

Sat. 8-24-58

Self has the most hits, 65, and stolen bases, 96. He and teamate Bill White are high in triples with seven apiece. Gideon Jarvis of Kansas City and Bernie Porter of Detroit are tied for the lead in doubles with 11 each.

Porter also has the most homers, six. Willie Washington of Kansas City has batted in the most runs, 40. Ozzie Tidmore of Kansas City and White have scored the most

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Mays, Runnels Lead Bat Race

NEW YORK, Sept. 22 (AP)—Willie Mays and Pete Runnels are the players to beat as the National and American League batting races swing into the final lap.

Mays of the San Francisco Giants and Runnels of the Boston Red Sox lead their nearest pursuers by four points with a week remaining in the 1958 season. Figures include games through Sunday.

Striving for his second National League crown, Mays boasts a .342 average with the Philadelphia Phils' Richie Ashburn the runnerup at .338. Runnels tops the American loop with .323 while Harvey Kuenn of the Detroit Tigers follows at .319.

For Mays, it's been an uphill struggle to overhaul Ashburn, last week's pace-setter. Third a week ago, Mays boosted his average seven points while Ashburn lost four points. Willie collected 10 hits in 17 trips—a .588 clip—as Ashburn was going 1-for-18.

Mays, who won the title in 1954 on the final day of the season, has five games remaining and his rival center fielder six. Ashburn also is a former titlist, having led in 1955.

Runnels, who was traded to the Red Sox by Washington last Winter, maintains his supremacy of a week ago. He boosted his average four points with 10-for-24. Kuenn, meanwhile, climbed from a fourth-place tie into the challenging position. Although hampered by a wrist injury, he also gained four points with seven hits in 15 at bats.

Kuenn has seven games left to play and Runnels six. Neither player has ever won a major league batting title.

Defending batting champions Stan Musial of the St. Louis Cards and Ted Williams of the Red Sox lost considerable ground last week in their efforts to repeat. The veteran batsmen number 12 hitting championships between them.

Musial, sidelined for several games with a leg injury, returned to action at the end of the week and delivered just one hit in seven trips. In droping three points, Stan the Man fell from second to third in the National League with .335.

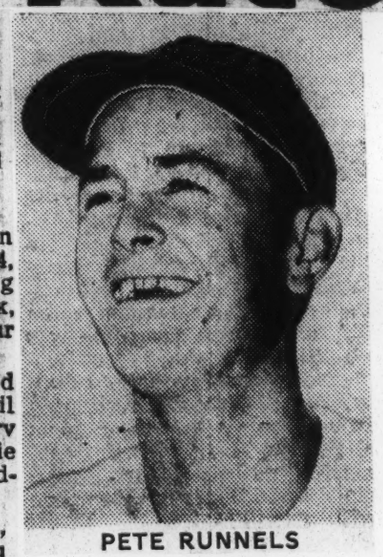
Williams, who ranks third in the junior circuit with .314, dipped two points. In slipping from a second-place deadlock, The Thumper hit safely four times in 15 at bats.

Bob Cerv of Kansas City and Bob Boyd of Baltimore trail Williams with .312 each. Cerv skidded from a second-place tie with Williams while Boyd advanced from eighth.

Milwaukee's Hank Aaron, the National League batting leader in 1956, is one point behind Musial at .333. Bob Skinner of Pittsburgh, closing fast, rounds out the top five with .324.

Ernie Banks of the Chicago Cubs has the National League home runs and runs batted in titles wrapped up. Banks has hit 47 homers and has driven in 127 runs.

The New York Yanks' Mickey Mantle tops the AL in home runs with 41, three more than a trio of contenders. Boston's Jackie Jensen, with 118 RBIs, is the front-runner in this department by a wide margin.



PETE RUNNELS

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McDougald's 10th Inning Homer Hands Yanks Series Tying Win

By OSCAR FRALEY

MILWAUKEE — (UPI) — Bullet Bob Turley's three-pitch relief hurling and Moose Skowron's vital 10th-inning single ruined the gallant history book pitching of weary Warren Spahn Wednesday as the New York Yankees down the Milwaukee Braves, 4-3, to square the World Series at three games all.

Turley, called from the bull pen with two men on and two out in the 10th, fired three pitches which got plated under Frank Torre on a looping shot to second baseman Gil McDougald. And it was McDougald who, with the score tied at 2-2 in the 10th, led off with a home run which put the Yankees in front and inspired a rally in which Elston Howard and Yogi Berra hit back-to-back singles that routed Spahn—and set the stage for Skowron's winning blow off relief pitcher Don McMahon.

AARON SINGLES

The Braves tried desperately to get those two runs back, but fell just one short. They had been handcuffed for four innings by the fireball relief work of strong-armed Ryne Duren but, with one away, he wavered by passing Johnny Logan. Duren got Eddie Mathews next but Hank Aaron slapped out a single which scored Logan, who had advanced unmolested to second on Duren's Wind-up.

TURLEY GETS TORRE

Big Joe Adcock came through then with a single to center which sent Aaron racing to third and Turley — called on with only one day's rest after winning Monday's game at New York—strode in from the bullpen to set down Torre.

It was a sad tale of defeat for Spahn and the Braves almost as much as it was of jubilant victory for the comeback Yankees as the second extra-inning game of the classic wound up with the fates balancing the 10th inning books.

For Spahn, strong and steady then, had won the opening game in 10 innings. But that 10th inning caught up to him this grim, gray day as, pitching with his heart and his head as much as with that 37-year-old arm, he tried in vain to become the eighth man in the history of the Series to win three games.

Spahn made a game fight of it and, before he trudged disconsolately to the showers with two out in the 10th, he had run up a total of 28 2-3 innings which rubbed out the six-game durability record of 27 innings set by the immortal Christy Mathewson 'way back in 1911.

BAUER HOMERS

It was a battle all the way before 46,367 roaring fans as Hank Bauer's solo homer gave the Yankees a first-inning lead; the Braves bounced back to tie it up that same inning; stormed ahead by one run in the second and then saw the Yanks deadlock it again in the sixth.

Inning after inning, in a game which had faced postponement after an early morning rain, they hammered away at each other with the tight-tipped Spahn stranding eight straight Yankee base-runners —until the Yankees drove him to cover in that torturous 10th.

Bauer broke the Yankees out on top with two down in the first when he blasted his homer far out into the left field bleachers. For him it tied a record of four homers in one series, held by Lou Gehrig in four games and Babe Ruth and Duke Snider in seevn games.

The Braves bounded right back as Red Schoendienst led off with a broken bat single through the hole off of starter Whitey Ford. Johnny Logan sacrificed him to second and after Mathews fanned, Aaron singled to right to score Schoendienst.

Milwaukee moved in front in the second when, with one down, Wes Covington singled to center and, while it appeared that Mickey Mantle caught the ball, the umpires ruled it had been trapped. The muscular Covington moved to second as Andy Pafko singled to right and Spahn moved himself out in front with a single to center which scored Covington and sent Pafko to second.

HOWARD THROWS STRIKE

Schoendienst walked, loading the bases, and that was all for Ford as Art Ditmar came on. He got Logan to fly to left and Pafko, tagging up at third, was out easily at the plate when Howard threw a perfect strike to Yogi Berra at home to take the Yanks out of that jam.

Berra singled to right in the Yankee fourth to compile his record 59th series hit— breaking a mark held jointly with Frankie Frisch. But Spahn, shooting for money as well as record, escaped that time by getting the next two hitters.

The Yankees, however, squared it in the sixth when Mantle led off with a single over short. Howard followed with a single to center and Bruton, who had just gone into center field, bobbled the ball and the fleet-footed Mantle went to third on the error. Berra brought him home with a sacrifice fly to center and, while Spahn squeaked out of the jam after that, it was all tied up.

DITMAR LIFTED

Ditmar has been lifted for a pinch hitter as the Yanks tried to break it open in the top of the sixth and Duren, the weak-eyed, strong - armed fireball pitcher, came on and struck out the side -a feat he duplicated in the ninth. Then they came to the 10th and one of the wildest innings of the series.

McDougald started it all by walloping his home run and, with two out, Howard singled and went to third on Berra's single.

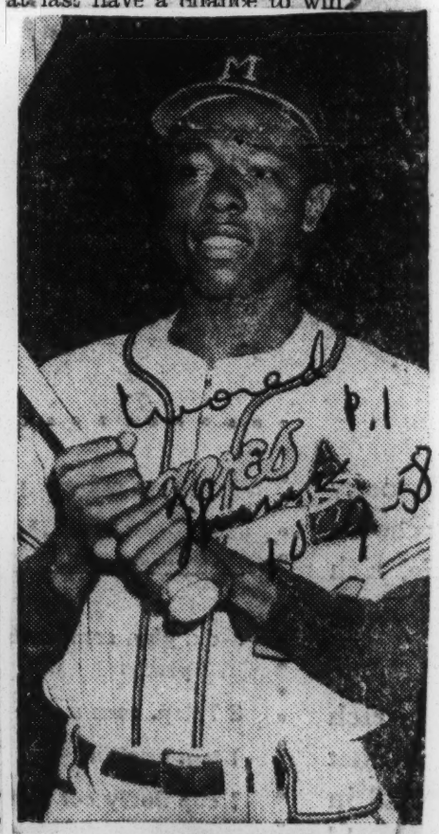
That was all for Spahn and McMahon came on.

Skowron, in abad slump at season's end and on ball of fire in the Series thus far, singled to right to score Howard with the run that turned out to be the decisive one. McMahon then struck out Duren but the damage had been done.

Then the Braves ran at them—only to fall one short as Turley, who lost the second game of the Series but proved his courage as well as his class in winning the fifth, came on to put out the fire.

The Braves will go Thursday—in the seventh and final game—with easy - going Lew Burdette, who won three games for them last year and was 1-1 this time. For the Yankees it will be Don Larsen or Johnny Kucks.

"But no matter who it is," yelled the off-the-floor Yankees, "we're finally on even footing and at last have a chance to win."



HANK AARON
. . . Hero of futile rally.

McDOUGALD STARTS YANKEE FIREWORKS — Gil McDougald, Yankee second baseman comes loping to home plate after rapping out a home run.

Mays Moves Up On Stan's Slugging Pace

Post-Herald P. 4
Birmingham, Ala.
Tues. 5-20-58

NEW YORK, May 19 (AP)—When a ballplayer hits a .400 pace and loses ground that's news. When that player is Stan Musial it does not come under the heading of the unusual.

For Musial, who now has lifted his lifetime total of base hits to 3006, has been hovering around the .500 mark for most of the young campaign.

A week ago, the brilliant star of the St. Louis Cardinals was batting .494. In his last seven games, Musial has collected eight hits in 20 times at bat—an even .400 clip.

Stan showed a still awesome percentage of .476 through yesterday's games. However, the continued productive slugging of San Francisco's Willie Mays could make an intriguing season-long duel between these two excellent competitors.

In last week's action, Mays garnered 16 hits in 25 tries and boosted his average 18 points to .406. Seven of Willie's blows were homers putting him a second place deadlock with Teammate Cepeda and Chicago's Lee Walls. Each has 11. Pittsburgh's Frank Thomas leads in circuit blows with 12.

In the American League, Bob Nieman took over the batting lead with a .390 mark. The righthanded batting Baltimore outfielder, who had been used primarily against southpaw pitching in the first couple of weeks, moved into the regular lineup last week. He has collected eight hits in his last 15 trips.

Mickey Vernon, Cleveland's veteran first baseman, climbed one notch into the runner-up position. He gained 11 points to .384 with nine hits in 22 at bats.

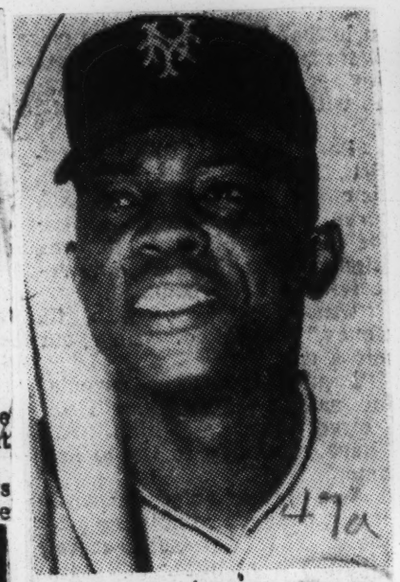
Gil McDougald of the New York Yankees, the pace-setter a week ago, dropped into a third place tie at .373 with Teammate Bill Skowron, who has been out with a back injury. McDougald lost 30 points with a 6-for-21 percentage.

Bob Cerv of Kansas City, who suffered a fractured jaw in Saturday's game against Detroit, continues to lead the junior circuit in homers with 11 and runs batted in with 30.

However, Cerv's once-commanding lead in these departments is being challenged by Jackie Jensen of Boston. Jensen slammed four home runs and collected 10 RBIs last week. This gave the Red Sox outfielder eight homers and 23 runs batted in for the year.

Daryl Spencer of the league-leading Giants took over first place in the National League's runs batted in competition. He has 31, an increase of two over last week.

STAN MUSIAL



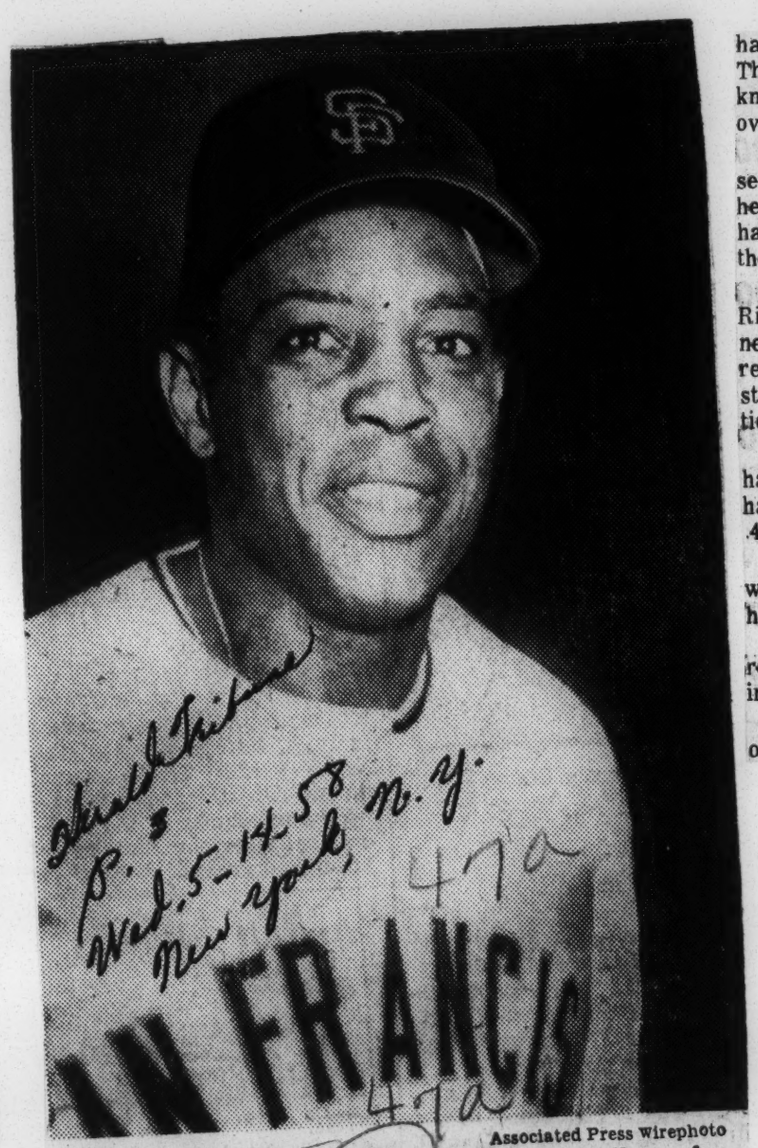
HOT STREAK — Willie Mays of the San Francisco Giants (above) has hit .706, walloped seven home runs and driven in 15 runs in his last four games. He smashed a pair of homers in Frisco's 16-9 win over Los Angeles yesterday.

Post Herald P. 17
Wed. 5-14-58

Mays Leads Frisco By LA, 16-9

Birmingham, Ala.

LOS ANGELES, May 13 (AP)—Willie Mays and Daryl Spencer hit two homers each today as the San Francisco Giants clobbered the Los Angeles Dodgers 16-9. Mays also cracked two triples and a single and walked for a perfect day at bat.



Associated Press Wirephoto

HAPPY MAN—Willie Mays is a happy fellow after leading Giants to 12-to-3 victory over Dodgers on Monday night. Mays hit 2 homers, one a grand slam, and drove in five runs.

Herald Tribune
P. 5
Wed. 5-14-58
New York, N.Y.

Mays Leaves Hospital; Rejoins Giants Sunday

Elmira Star-Gazette
Jackson Mississippi
Sunday 6-22-58

NEW YORK, (AP)—Willie Mays, tired of a hospital bed but feeling fine, packed his duds Saturday and made ready to get back to his job of center fielding with the San Francisco Giants.

"The doctor said I'd probably get out sometime late this afternoon or early tonight," said Willie, who entered the hospital Thursday for a complete checkup after complaining of fatigue. P. 1 Sec. B

"I was just tired," said Mays, "but I feel pretty fine now. I'll join the club in Philadelphia tonight." He said he would probably drive down "if I can find somebody goin' down there."

"Sure I'll be glad to get out of this bed," he added. "Nobody likes to stay in a hospital.

"Will I play tomorrow? That's up to Bill Rigney (Giants' manager), but I'll sure try if he wants me."

Mays said his physician, Dr. Stuart Cosgriff, had told him all the tests made in the last 48 hours had been negative.

"Naw, I haven't had any more headaches," he said. "Everybody has headaches and I had one. That's all there was to it. I don't know why so much fuss was made over that.

"Yeah, I was tired. Did the bat seem heavy? Everything seems heavy when you're tired. But I had a good rest. They give you the full treatment here."

Mays, in a 5-for-39 slump when Rigney finally benched him Wednesday night at Pittsburgh, will return with an average of .382—still good enough to lead all National League hitters.

Prior to the slump, however, he had gone on a 16-for-19 streak that had barreled his average up to .44.

"I don't know whether this rest will do it," Mays said. "I'll just have to get up there and find out."

It was recalled that a similar respite last June put Willie back in shape.

"All I can do is swing and find out. I'll try," he said.

Willie Mays is player of month

Post P. 16
Birmingham, Ala.
Post 10-11-58

CINCINNATI — Willie Mays, San Francisco Giant outfielder who batted .445 during September, has been voted National League player of the month by sportswriters and sportscasters.

The Giant outfielder, who just missed winning the loop batting title, received a total of 19 votes to six for pitcher Bob Friends of the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Other votes went to Richie Ashburn, who beat out Mays for the batting crown, Jerry Lynch of Cincinnati and Ernie Banks, top NL home run hitter.

Ashburn, the Philadelphia infielder, won the crown with a .350 mark, while Banks, a Chicago infielder, swatted 47 homers.

Feeling Weak And Tired—

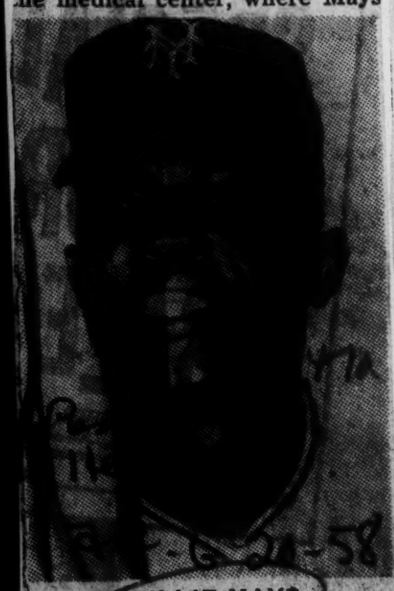
Mays Hopes Checkup Will Cure Bat Slump

Post Herald P 7 Birmingham Ala.

NEW YORK, June 19 (AP)—Willie Mays, feeling weak and tired, underwent a physical examination today and was sent to a hospital for a complete checkup. He is expected to remain there at least overnight.

The star center fielder of the San Francisco Giants, benched for the first time this season last night, had arrived here earlier today for an examination by his personal physician, Dr. Stewart Cosgriff.

The only information given at the medical center, where Mays underwent his examination, was that Mays had been sent to the hospital.



WILLIE MAYS

Manager Bill Rigney said he had benched Mays because before last night's game in Pittsburgh, Mays told him he had a headache. Mays did not get into the game until the ninth inning when he pinch hit and grounded out. The Giants went on to win 2-1 in 10 innings but lost to the Pirates today, without Willie, 6-5.

"Last time I benched him was a year ago," Rigney said, "and he came back with a screaming bat. Maybe he'll do it again."

Rigney said Mays appeared rundown with a possible touch of flu.

"Unless something unforeseen occurs," the manager said, "Willie will be in the starting lineup against Philadelphia tomorrow night." Mays has had only five hits in his last 36 times at bat and his average dropped to .332 from a high of .433.

Mays Hits Single For Giants Win

Commercial Appeal

Blow In Ninth Scores Two To Beat Cubs, 6-5

SAN FRANCISCO, July 4.—(AP)—Willie Mays crashed a two-run single to center with two out in the ninth to climax a five-run rally and give the San Francisco Giants a 6-5 victory over the Chicago Cubs in the opening game of a doubleheader Friday before 22,500 fans.

FIRST GAME

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	bi
T. Taylor 2b	4	0	1	0	Alou rf	5	1	1	0
Dark 3b	5	0	0	0	Spencer ss	4	0	1	1
Walls rf	4	1	2	1	Mays cf	4	0	1	2
Banks ss	4	1	0	0	Cepeda 1b	4	0	1	0
Moryn lf	3	1	1	0	Jablonski 3b	3	0	0	0
Long 1b	4	1	1	1	Davenport 3b	0	1	0	0
S. Taylor c	4	0	2	0	Wagner lf	4	1	1	0
Tappe c	0	0	0	0	Schmidt c	2	1	0	0
Thomson cf	4	1	1	1	Bressoud 2b	2	0	0	0
Briggs p	3	0	1	0	aSauer	1	0	0	0
Elston p	1	0	0	0	O'Connell 2b	0	0	0	0
Hobbie p	0	0	0	0	cSpeake	0	0	0	1
Drott p	0	0	0	0	Worthington p	2	0	2	0
					bLockman	1	1	1	0
					Monzant p	0	0	0	0
					Grissom p	0	0	0	0
					dKirkland	1	1	1	2
Totals	36	5	9	3	Totals	33	6	0	6

a—Hit into force out for Bressoud in seventh; b—Singled for Worthington in eighth; c—Walked for O'Connell in ninth; d—Singled for Grissom in ninth.

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Summary: E—Davenport 2. PO-A—Chicago 26-10; San Francisco 27-8. (Two out when winning run scored.) DP—Taylor, Banks and Long. Left—Chicago 6, San Francisco 8. 2B—Worthington. HR—Walls, Thomson. SF—Spencer.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Briggs	7	6	1	1	2	3
Elston	1	1	3	3	2	0
Hobbie (L 6-6)	0	1	2	2	1	0
Drott	2-3	1	0	0	1	0
Worthington	8	5	2	2	1	4
Monzant	1-3	3	3	3	0	0
Grissom (W 5-3)	2-3	1	0	0	1	2

WP—Briggs, Grissom. U—Donatelli, Crawford, Smith and Dascoll. T—3:00.

Track coach Milton 'Dubby' Holt of Idaho State College holds the school's 100-yard dash record of :09.5. He made the mark in 1937.

Mays Feels Good Again And Proves It

Post Herald

PHIDALELPHIA, June 22 (AP) Such tender concern for Willie Mays!

The great center fielder rejoined the San Francisco Giants today following a three-day "rest cure" in a New York hospital and was asked by Philadelphia Phillies' manager Mayo Smith.

"Did you get my wire?"

"What wire?" Mays asked.

"Telling you to stay in bed," Smith answered with a wide grin.

"You know Willie," Smith went on kidding, "I don't think you ought to play today. You don't look so good. You might take one swing and collapse."

Mays laughed heartily along with the others clustered around the batting cate at Connie Mack Stadium before the doubleheader between the Phillies and the Giants.

"I don't know how I look," Mays said while grabbing a bat, "but I sure do feel good."

Then he gave a spectacular demonstration of his physical fitness. He hit six baseballs into the upper deck in left field while the Philadelphia fans roared their approval.

Giants' manager Bill Rigney also liked what he saw. When Mays decided he'd had enough swings, Rigney hollered: "Take a couple more."

Mays did. He clouted two more pitches into the stands, then dribbled one down the third base line.

Mays arrived in Philadelphia Saturday night after spending three days in the Harkness Pavilion Hospital in New York undergoing physical check-up. Mays had complained of headaches and stomach aches before he was taken out of the lineup in Pittsburgh last Wednesday and hospitalized the next day.

Following the series of examinations, he was pronounced "medically okay."

Mays also took time to kid rookie Felipe Alou about the sensational catch the rookie made in centerfield Saturday on Willie Jones' liner before rain washed out the game in the first inning.

"What are you trying to do," Willie asked. "Take my job?"

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Sports of The Times

By JOHN DREBINGER

He Also Kills Sharks

PHILADELPHIA, July 24—"You ask me whether I think the Giants can go all the way and win this pennant," said Bill Rigney as he stretched his long legs and made himself as comfortable as possible.

The Giants' skipper was hardly in an amiable frame of mind. His club had just lost a couple of tough ones to the Phillies. They had blown the suspended game in the worst possible manner. At the very point where play was resumed Johnny Antonelli, a left-handed pitcher, had served up a home run ball to Harry Anderson, a left-handed hitter. Then a rookie right-hander shut them out in the second game.

Rig, however, is at all times a gracious host and no matter how much it hurts he'll carry on.

"Maybe the correct word would be 'steal' instead of 'win' the pennant," said Bill, "for after all that's what it would be. Should a club so lightly regarded as we were last April finish on top it would have to be a steal. But call it what you like, we'll accept it either way. Now the question is, can we do it?

"Well, let's examine our assets again. Yesterday I listed our kids who have carried us this far and who'll have to carry us the rest of the way. I have no worries about them. They've already proved themselves a hustling and versatile group."

Doing What Came Naturally

Perhaps we should interrupt here to insert a couple of additional items on these so-called kids. There is this Orlando Cepeda, easily the standout of the lot.

Too bad the Giants did not tarry one more year at the Polo Grounds so that New York fans could have got a look at Orlando. This 20-year-old Puerto Rican stands 6 feet tall and weighs a solid 200 pounds, but he moves with lightning reflexes and feline grace.

Baseball just came naturally to him. In fact, you may say he inherited it, for his father, Peruchin (or Pedro) Cepeda, was one of Puerto Rico's greatest ball players. No longer alive, he is still remembered in the islands with the veneration a Babe Ruth receives.

Orlando, who currently is topping even Willie Mays in homers and runs batted in, swings what they call a fast bat. This means that no trick pitch catches him unprepared and if it is anywhere near the plate there's a fair chance he'll murder it. Rival pitchers already have learned this to their sorrow.

"More than half his homers," says Rigney, "have been hit after the pitcher got two strikes on him and tempted him with a ball that was only a little bit bad."

No Off-Season on Sharks

Still another prize is Felipe Alou, who hails from the Dominican Republic. Here indeed is a versatile performer. He has been a javelin-throwing champion and a sprinter with a 10.6 record for 100 meters.

During the off-season he kills sharks, no less. We mean off-season in baseball, of course. There is no off-season for killing sharks in the Caribbean.

But let us return to Rigney, who has only a passing interest in sharks and javelins and is fully aware that no matter how fast a man may run he still can't steal first base.

Assets and Big Question

"Not to be overlooked among our other assets," points out Bill, "are a number of old hands we retained to give the club stability. There is Whitey Lockman, still able to do a first-rate job at first base or the outfield. And we have Hank Sauer, who still can hit that long ball, and Ray Jablonski, one of the toughest clutch hitters in the game.

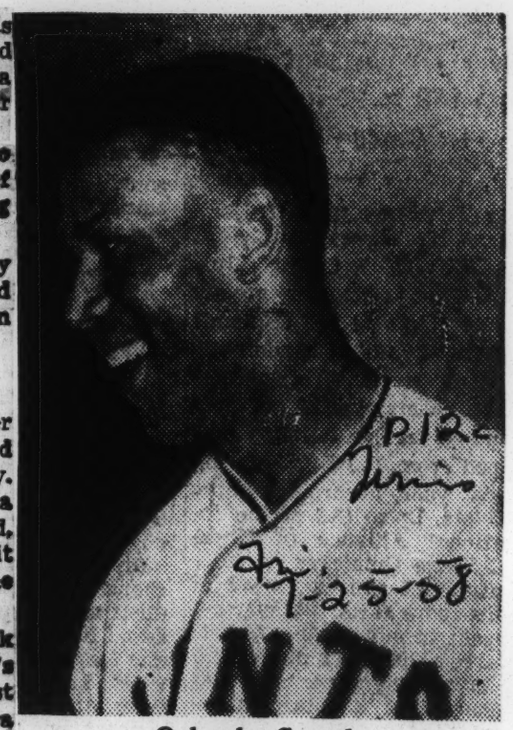
"Where, then, are we weak? I don't think I have to whisper it. They all know it. It's pitching. In the rush to rebuild we just weren't able to come up with that one extra pitcher who might have put us over.

"However, it's still possible. Antonelli is our top starter and young Mike McCormick comes next. After that it's a scramble, with Al Worthington the work horse and Stu Miller effective in spots. Then there's the big question-mark—Ruben Gomez.

"If Ruben will bounce back and pitch the way he did in the forepart of this season and in fragments of other seasons, well, we may yet go all the way and steal it."

It seems like a large order for the temperamental Puerto Rican, who for the present seems more interested in playing guardian to his young countryman Cepeda. However, should it occur to Gomez that the greatest favor he could bestow on Cepeda would be to put him in a world series, Ruben might concentrate on pitching again.

Arthur Daley, who writes Sports of The Times regularly, is on vacation.



Orlando Cepeda

He inherits his skill

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Lacey Curry Making Baseball Comeback Following Illness

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Pittsburgh, Pa.

(Special to The Courier)

ST. PAUL, Minn.—Too much work and not enough play all but "wrecked" little Lacey Curry's health last winter. The am-bitious sparkplug second baseman of the St. Paul Saints is back in the lineup, but only because he refused to be sidelined, refused to quit on his team and the game he loves.

Curry, who along with Bob Lillis at shortstop, form one of the best defensive keystone combinations in the minor leagues today, without realizing it all but undermined his health by an around-the-clock schedule from September 1957 until March 15, 1958.

Throughout that period Curry attended Denver University's classrooms during the day and then spent an eight hour night as a postoffice clerk.

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HARDLY TAKING time out to eat, much less sleep, Curry reported to the Saints and expected a big year, one that might find him winning his way to the major leagues. But instead of having his great season, Curry slumped at the plate, was a step late in reaching ground balls. He thought he felt good, but doctors said: "Young man you have an attack of hepatitis. You are ill, very ill."

Those words were hard for Curry to realize, tougher to take. He knew something was wrong, but couldn't discover what it was. The doctor's examination sent him to the hospital for 10 days. During those anxious hours of waiting, Curry looked back over his life and the lives of his six brothers and one sister.

Here he was in a hospital. His club needed him badly, but he couldn't play. His brothers were busy with their professions.

Brother Milton was president of Bishop College in Marshall, Tex.

Brother Lycurgus was in law school on the West Coast.

Brother Augustus was a dentist in Brooklyn.

Brother Joseph was a captain in the Army.

Brother Theodore was an assistant cashier in Kansas City.

Brother Ulysses was a doctor in Fresno, Calif.

Thersea, his only sister and holder of a Doctor of Education degree, was a school teacher in Pampa, Tex.

And where was he? In a hospital, recovering from a dreaded liver disease.

The Curry family, headed by his father a retired Baptist minister, pulled together, worked together to give each of the children an education. Curry was the last to make his way into professional circles, but he had ambitions to become a doctor like Ulysses. Curry has the ambition and the advice and by September 1958 he hopes to enroll in medical school. He is majoring in physical education at Denver U. and taking a minor in science.

The little second sacker told his story as the St. Paul club tried vainly to pull itself out of the American Association's second division. And if they are going to gain the goal it may be Curry who will have to hike his batting average 50 points and continue his sensational fielding.

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CURRY WAS strickened by hepatitis, doctors say, because he was in run down condition. Too many hours of work, not enough food, they said.

Curry admits that he probably didn't eat enough, but he is on a special diet now. "I didn't eat before a game because I would be sluggish and I didn't care to eat after the game because I couldn't sleep," Curry said.

The lack of food, the hours of worry over health and batting average, about his family back in Denver and the dreams of some day being a doctor wore him down.

But today, back in the lineup three weeks, Curry has hiked his batting average to a healthy .253, getting 10 hits in his last 29 visits to the plate. And he says: "I'll be over the .300 mark in a month."

Despite his size, Curry unloads a heavy bat, one feared by rival pitchers. And Curry adds: "I never saw the fast ball pitcher yet I couldn't hit. A man shooting a 30-30 from the mound would find me getting at least a piece of the bullet."

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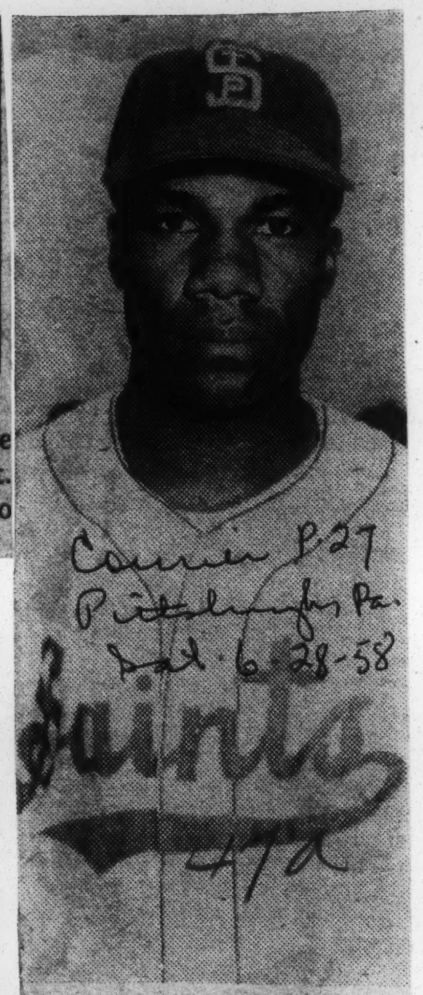
CURRY CURED his batting illness by taking to the golf driving range. He wasn't using his wrists enough, he said, and swinging a golf club would make him use the wrists.

Baseball smart, Curry, added: "I know what's wrong and I aim to fix it."

And when he fixes it and zeros in on enemy hurlers the Saints are due to go on a winning binge.

And some day a sign will hang on an office door: Dr. Lacey Curry.

But maybe before that time Lacey will be playing major league baseball and earning enough to pay his way through medical school.



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Medwick Did It Last in '37

Banks, Mays Eye Nat'l League's 'Triple Crown'

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PITTSBURGH—Not since Joe Medwick of the St. Louis Cardinals turned the trick back in 1937 has the National League had a "triple crown" winner. There appears to be, however, a distinct possibility of not only one player being a solid choice to turn the feat this year, but two.

Given more than an outside chance of performing one of baseball's rarest feats are amazing Willie Mays of the San Francisco Giants and scintillating Ernie Banks of the Chicago Cubs.

With the National League season past the one-third mark, both Mays and Banks are obviously making more than passing overtures toward the title.

Mays, off to the greatest start of his meteoric career, not only is a threat for the triple-crown but may make a serious bid to duplicate Bill Terry's National League feat of hitting .401 in 1930. Terry was the last man in the senior loop to turn the trick.

As of Sunday, Mays was ahead in one of the big three batting departments and was breathing down the necks of the leaders in the other two.

Following an exceptional week at the plate—at one stretch he went seven for seven—Mays replaced Stan Musial as the loop's top hitter with a rising .424 batting average.

In homers, Willie with 14 trails only Banks and Pittsburgh's Frank Thomas in that department. Both have 16. Willie is also trailing Thomas and Banks in RBI's. Including Saturday's game he had 42, compared with 48 for the two leaders.

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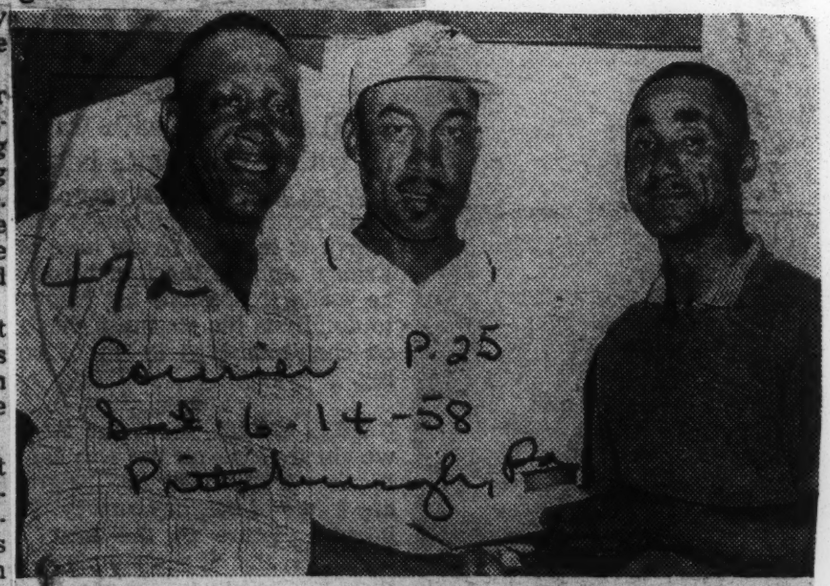
BANKS, WITH a late surge that has been driving rival pitchers into fits of despair, already is ahead in both homers and RBI's. Ernie's biggest fight appears to be in the average department, where he is currently hitting .324, eighth best in the league.

In the past, the slim swatter with the Cubs, who amazes critics with his long-ball hitting feats, has always been among the top sluggers in the game. However, since coming to the Cubs during the tail end of the 1953 season, he has never batted over .300 for the long haul.

He has admitted, though, that he will have to improve on his .285 batting mark of last season to poise a real threat for the "triple-crown" toga.

THERE ARE indications that Banks may have found the secret formula for hitting for distance and average too. This spring he clobbered the ball with consistency. He slacked off during the opening days of the current campaign, but lately his average has been climbing upward with consistent regularity.

When Medwick captured his coveted triple-crown in 1937, he batted .374, drove in 154 runs and banged out 31 homers. Two of those marks, hitting and RBI's, would undoubtedly win for either Banks and Mays. Only Medwick's homer mark of 31 will have to be beaten. At the moment, both tan sluggers figure to end up the season near the 40-mark in round-trippers. And if their hitting holds up, they can go into the month of September as neck and neck competitors for one of baseball's toughest honors.



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Sifford Again—Charles Sifford, second from left, the mighty mite of Philadelphia and California, has done it again, coming home two strokes ahead in the recent Memorial week-end Pro-Am in Washington, D. C., to outdistance the 28-person pro field. Seen with Sifford are, left, Ray Thomas, Rockville, Md., top amateur, and Tim Thomas, tournament director.

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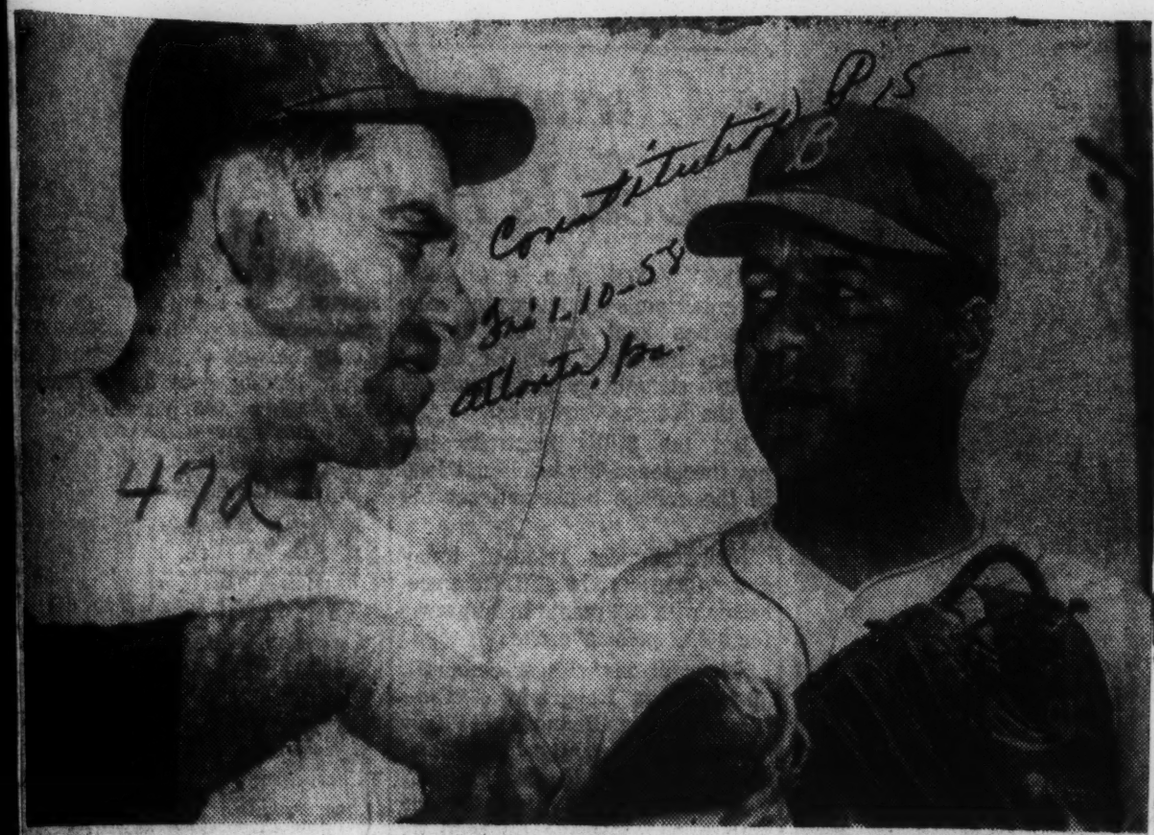

Associated Press Wirephoto

THIS MEETING LAST SPRING BROUGHT TOGETHER MVP WINNERS OF 1956

Yank Berra (L) Took Pay Cut Thursday; Dodger Campanella Says He Hasn't Slowed Down

Yankees Tag Berra At $50,000

Catcher Signs For 'Slight Cut'

NEW YORK, Jan. 9 (AP)—Yogi Berra took a "slight cut" today after his worst season with the New York Yankees and signed for a reported $50,000.

The "slight cut," of course, was relative. What would be slight to Yogi would be a major amputation on most anybody's paycheck.

As the first Yankee signing announced by Lee MacPhail, director of player personnel, the slice was taken by many as notice that wholesale increases were not to be expected just because the club won another pennant.

The sturdy Yankee catcher, now a 32-year-old family man with a wife and three sons at home in Tenafly, N. J., dipped to a .251 batting average during 1957, the poorest of his career. Despite the drop, Yogi led all major league catchers with 24 homers, 82 runs batted in and a fielding average of .995. So what was a bad year for Berra would be considered good by most others.

Three Negroes On Buff Roster

Houston Informer 1-2-58

HOUSTON — Prospects that, save for entrance arrangements, were bright this week, General Manager Stan McIlvaine announced that three of the 37 players assigned to the Houston Buffs by the Cardinals were Negroes.

George Moten, who compiled an 18-10 record with Winston Salem, North Carolina as a moundsman; Alfred Davis, who hit 234 for Columbus, Georgia; and Arthur Burnett, an infielder up from Sioux City, Iowa, are the tansters who are bidding for berths on the Buffs' regular team.

1958 contracts were mailed out Saturday of 28 players on the winter roster of 37, it was announced by Mr McIlvaine. Contracts were put in the mail to all players exiept9, 2 of which, rookies, had been signed at the time of their entry into professional baseball. Six players had received their contracts last week, having received priority treatment due to the falt ha they have been invied o and th Cardinals early camp. The 9th sontract was sent earlier to Playing Manager Harry Walker, who affixed his signature some time ago.

Among the 28 receiving contracts will be 7 players who were members of the 1957 Dixie Srieg champions. These 7 include pitchers Don Mumm and Tony Stathos, catcher Ray Deabek, infielders Keith Little and Fred McAlister and outfielders Herbie Adams and Harry Keister and outfielder Playing Manager Harry Walker.

In all, contracts have been sent to 17 pitchers, 2 catchers, 8 infielders and 7 outfielders. The Buffs will open spring training at Daytona Beach, Florida on March 10, with the bulk of the ball players reporting on March 8. The Buffs will be ready for the 1958 season's opener scheduled for April 18.

Forty Negroes Now In Redbird Chain

Globe 1-7

ST. LOUIS—The St. Louis Cardinals have signed their first Summer high school star in the person of 18-year old Thomas Edwin (Tom) Haltom.

Young Tom, who is 5'-11" and weighs 170 pounds, has been as-

THOMAS EDWIN HALTOM

Nashville Tenn.

signed to the Cardinals Class B league and will report to spring training at Daytona Beach, Fla. It brings to 40, the number of Negro players in the organization owned by Anheuser-Busch, Inc. The total includes three in the Cardinal national league club with the remainder scattered throughout the farm system.

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The new recruit, a native of Jackson, Tenn., worked out with the Cardinals last season. He graduated from the Sumner high school here where he hit 419 during the 1957 season. He played in the Ban Johnson league with the Kinloch team hitting .386. At Sumner he participated in basketball and track with the two-mile run his speciality.

He bats left-handed and throws right handed. Tom was scouted by Cardinal scout Joe Monahan.

Haltom is an outfielder and last year was named to the St. Louis Public High School All-City Team.

"I am confident I can make good. I have long wanted to play in the Cardinal organization," he said.

In 1953, when Anheuser-Busch, Inc., with August A. Busch, Jr. as president, purchased the Red Bird Club, there were no Negroes in the team or in the organization.

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Underpaid at 100 G's

Constitution p. 31

Stan Musial, who owns 21 National League records and shares 13 others, set another mark this week when he signed his 1958 contract with the St. Louis Cardinals. The 100 G's shelled out by owner Gussie Busch, is the highest sum ever paid an N.L. player.

It was typical of Stan the Man when he thanked Busch for his generosity and modestly stated that he would have been happy to sign for less. Even at that price, Musial is underpaid, for he is the most underrated player in the history of the game.

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I've often wondered what national acclaim Musial would have achieved had he played for the Yankees and had the benefit of the New York press. Mickey Mantle was a fabulous star long before he lived up to his press clippings. Remember Clint Hartung? He was a nationally known celebrity before he collected his first hit at the Polo Grounds.

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In fact, it would have been interesting to observe Musial as a member of the Boston Red Sox. The Fenway Park faithful love Theodore Williams despite his wretched personality. Imagine how they would have worshipped the model ball player who has never spit out anything stronger than praise for his fellow players and fans?

Musial is the portrait that major league moguls like to picture to the public. Unfortunately, many of the heroes aren't worthy of the praise heaped upon them by adoring youngsters. Musial has been on the major league scene since 1941, a glowing advertisement for the game on and off the field.

—Horatio Would Have Been a Stan Fan

The 37-year-old Musial staged a great comeback last season to earn his $20,000 salary boost. After slumping to .310 in '56—a great year for most players—The Man clobbered N.L. pitching for a lilting .351 average. He easily annexed his seventh batting crown, for Willie Mays of the Giants was his nearest rival at .333.

Horatio Alger would have loved Stan Musial. The story of his life sounds much like the plot of most of Mr. Alger's books.

He grew up in the coal mining region of Donora, Pa., and Lady Luck easily could have dealt Stan a spade, instead of the most famous bat in the N.L.

The Musial success script is familiar, of course, to all sports fans. He started his career as a pitcher for Williamson of the Mountain State League in 1938. Three years later he was still stuck in Class D sand at Daytona Beach.

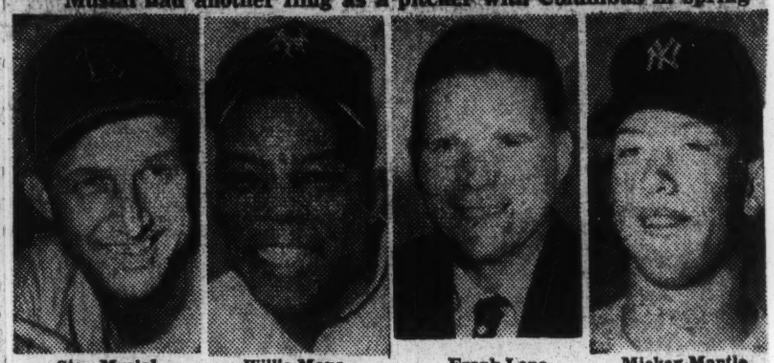
There, however, he met Dickie Kerr, who won two games for the White Sox in the ill-fated World Series his teammates threw to Cincinnati.

That proved to be the turning point in the Musial career. Kerr taught Musial the rudiments of pitching, and Stan responded with an 18-5 record. Between pitching turns, he patrolled the outfield. Attempting a shoestring catch one afternoon, Musial injured his pitching shoulder.

—He's the Most Valuable Every Year

A despondent Musial could no longer pitch, and he wanted to toss in the towel. Kerr intervened and convinced Stan that he could still succeed. Otherwise, Musial might have been another coal miner, instead of one of the brightest stars the game has known.

Musial had another fling as a pitcher with Columbus in spring



Stan Musial **Willie Mays** **Frank Lane** **Mickey Mantle**

training in 1941, but failed to impress silent Burt Shotton.

He did excite shrewd Branch Rickey. The Mahatma announced that Musial should forget about pitching and concentrate on the outfield. Again Rickey proved to be the keenest judge of talent in baseball.

Musial was a hit from the start. He bombarded his way to St. Louis by slugging Western Association pitching to the tune of .379 at Springfield. He was promoted to Rochester of the International and failed to notice the change. He wound up the year in St. Louis and belted .426 in a dozen games.

He has remained there ever since, and he now sets some form of record every time he plays a game.

Musial has been equally successful in business. He is a prosperous restaurant owner, vice president of a bank and is associated with various other profitable firms.

In a game where you seldom visit a dugout without hearing someone rapped, you never hear anyone put the knock on Musial. He's the player's player. Not even Frantic Frank Lane had the nerve to trade Musial. Lane mentioned it once or twice, but Busch made it clear that he'd just as soon see Budweiser moved out of St. Loo.

In an era where in some areas you find as many youngsters swinging blackjacks as baseball bats, sport needs more Stan Musials. They can hand out the MVP award to Mantle, Williams or some other guy, but Musial is the most valuable player to baseball every year, regardless of his batting average.

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Agree on Commissioner

Washington Post

Feller, Robinson Differ On Bonuses at Hearing

Washington D. C

Sat, 7-19-58

By Jack Walsh
Staff Reporter

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Bob Feller and Jackie Robinson, two recently retired baseball greats doing quite well in new professions at the age of 39, showed yesterday ehey have something else in common.

In testifying before the Senate Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee holding hearings on the sports bill, they were substantially in agreement in their baseball views.

Both think the players should have a voice in electing the baseball commisisoner and a bit more say in their own destiny.

However, they did disagree on bonus payments. Feller denounced the big bonus payments as "ridiculous." Fond of relating the story that he signed for three autographed baseballs, the old Van Meter, Ia., fastballer said:

"It brings undue attention on a young boy, may turn his head. It can cause resentment among his teammates and he may not be able to take it all in stride."

On the other hand, Robinson didn't think youngsters should be "punished" by the discontinuation of bonus payments. Jackie said they provide nest eggs if it turns out the youngster lacks the ability to make the big leagues.

Robinson now is vice-president in chareg of personnel for Chock-Full-of-Nuts", a New York restaurant chain. Although he said he was highly in favor of the reserve clause, he testified: "I think a fellow with a club four, five or six years, when the average career is about eight years, should have an opportunity to play with another ball club if he desires."

Robinson made it clear his main concern was for the bench-warmers. "I doubt if eight or nine men on a club would agree that the right thing is being done. On the better ball clubs, they may not be getting a chance to show their true ability. On a club lower in the standing, they could be playing regularly.

"The players may not have the opportunity they should have. If you're not a regular, you won't make the money."

Robinson also said: "I have high regard for the present commissioner, a fine man, but I think players should have some voice in his appointment. I sometimes feel the commissioner is under the owners' thumb."

Feller said he could see no objection in having the players vote on the commissioner.

Asked directly if he favored the legislation granting sweeping antitrust exemption to professional team sports, Feller said:

Keating Reiterates Views

"If the players had some say in electing the commissioner, and if the commissioner had power over the owners as well as the players, the bill would be very fair."

Rep. Kenneth B. Keating (R-N.Y.), one of four sponsors of the bill passed overwhelmingly by the House, gave a lengthy reiteration of his views favoring the legislation.

Keating did admit he would not object to amendment of the clause granting complete antitrust exemption to telecasting and broadcasting operations.

Wants Clearer Definition

"It may be that provision is not definite enough," he said. "I would have no objection to writing into the bill a specific provision which would give the minor leagues the protection they desperately need and, at the same time, would not impose an unreasonable blackout on the entire country."

Keating said he favored the baseball rule (1-D) which the Justice Department insisted it abandon. This rule would permit a minor league club to black out a major league telecast on a day it played at home.

One observation at yesterday's hearing was that present-day stars command more attention than former stars. Last week when Mickey Mantle, Ted Williams, Stan Musial, Robin Roberts and Eddie Yost were on hand, the Senate caucus room had a standing room only crowd. Yesterday, it was half empty.

Fan From South Pole 'Likes' Feller on Radio

Bob Feller, now a baseball announcer on Mutual's "Game of the Day," isn't a prima donna in his new profession. At the Senate Subcommittee sports hearing, he told about receiving a fan message from the South Pole.

It read: "We caught your broadcast the other day. It's a good thing you had a real fast ball and a good curve."

Pittsburgh Signs Port City Negro

Advertiser

MOBILE (AP)—The Pittsburgh Pirates have signed a Mobile Negro, John Lee Finch, to a bonus contract. The amount of the bonus was not revealed.

Finch, a third baseman, hit more than .400 in high school baseball and around .350 with two Mobile Negro independent teams.

Pirate Scout Edward Scott said today the 5-foot, 180-pound Finch will be assigned to Salem, Va., of the all-rookie Appalachian League.

Luke Easter Fined $100

Louisiana Weekly

Buffalo, N. Y.-(Special To The Weekly)--Last Wednesday night, Big Luke Easter, went on a rampage and the Buffalo Bisons' first baseman was fined $100 by league president Frank Shaughnessy.

As usual, when Big Easter gets hot, his opponents better "look-out". Such was the case last week.

Easter flung a bat in the general direction of Havana pitcher Vincent Amor after Amor's first pitch to him in the eighth inning went behind his head.

The benches emptied and fray became general, and Easter threw a left hook on the face of the Havana catcher Enrique Isquiredo.

According to Shaughnessy, both were "entirely unprovoked", and such action warranted suspension, but he confined punishment to a fine, because Easter's suspension would hurt the club more than it would Easter.

Havana won, 6-5, despite a three-run homer by Luke earlier in the game.

Started On Job Monday

Robert C. Motley, 4142 Benton Blvd., has been appointed to the Pacific Coast League where he began his duties as an umpire Monday night. He officiated the Phoenix-Spokane game.

A veteran arbiter of the Negro American League and a graduate of Al Somers' Umpire school at Daytona Beach, Fla., this will be Motley's first job in organized baseball.

Kansas City

The Kansas Citian is the second Negro umpire in OB both in the Pacific Coast League. Emmitt Ashford has been a "man in blue" in the PCL for three years.

Motley played football at Lincoln High school where he graduated in 1947. Other than that gridiron stretch, his sports activities have been confined to the umpiring end. He has umpired a number of East-West All-Star games in Comiskey Park in Chicago.

Motley left for his new post Sunday night.

BOB MOTLEY

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Younger Traded To Pgh. Steelers

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PITTSBURGH—Paul (Tank) Younger, who has gained over 3,000 yards during his illustrious National League career, has become the newest member of the Pittsburgh Steelers.

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Head Coach Buddy Parker announced he gave the Los Angeles speed to run both outside and inside.

Rams an undisclosed draft choice for the big (six-feet-three), 226-pound fullback who was given his nickname by opposing tackles.

He is a tremendous runner in the open field and it is next to impossible for a single man to bring him down, Parker said.

Parker said he selected the nine-year veteran from little Grambling College, because he felt "the Steelers needed the experience at fullback and Younger would fit the bill for a year or two."

This is the second trade the Steelers have made within the past week. Earlier, they sent a draft choice to the Washington Redskins for Ralph Felton, a big linebacker from Maryland.

YOUNGER CAME into the league in 1949, and since that time he has carried the ball 682 times for 3,296 yards and 32 touchdowns. He has a lifetime average of 4.9 yards per try.

Younger himself seems to grow stronger with age and experience with the pros. He has had his best years in the last three. In 1955, he gained 644 yards. He totaled 518 in '56, and 410 last fall.

He also caught eight passes for another 61 yards.

"Big Tank," according to the Steeler coaching staff who reviewed a number of movies before completing the trade, has

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AT BASEBALL HEARINGS—Ballplayers Jackie Robinson, left, and Bob Feller, right, talk with Senator Estes Kefauver (D-Tenn.) before testifying yesterday in the antitrust subcommittee hearings on sports.

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Purchases Detroit Stars for $15,000

'Goose' Tatum Buys Into NAL

CHICAGO—R[illegible]ce (Goose) Tatum, the zany basketball star who became world famous with his comical antics as a member of the Harlem Globetrotters, is returning to the sport that pried open the door to his great success—baseball.

REECE (GOOSE) TATUM

Instead of returning as a player, Goose, who played first base for the Indianapolis Clowns before joining the Globetrotters in 1938, is returning to baseball as the owner of the Detroit Stars, a team competing in the Negro American League.

TATUM HAS purchased the Detroit franchise in the Negro-American League from Ted Rasberry for a reported sum of $15,000. Rasberry had previously disposed of the Detroit franchise to a group from Grand Rapids, Mich. in 1956, but reclaimed it this winter when they failed to meet their financial obligations.

When Tatum first joined the Globetrotters he continued to play ball for Abe Saperstein, owner of the Globetrotters, but in 1941 he joined the basketball team, and from then until March 13, 1956, he was the big drawing card of the many court stars. He was but two years while serving in the armed forces.

Tatum, in announcing his purchase of the club, said he would change the name of the Detroit team from Detroit Stars to Detroit Clowns.

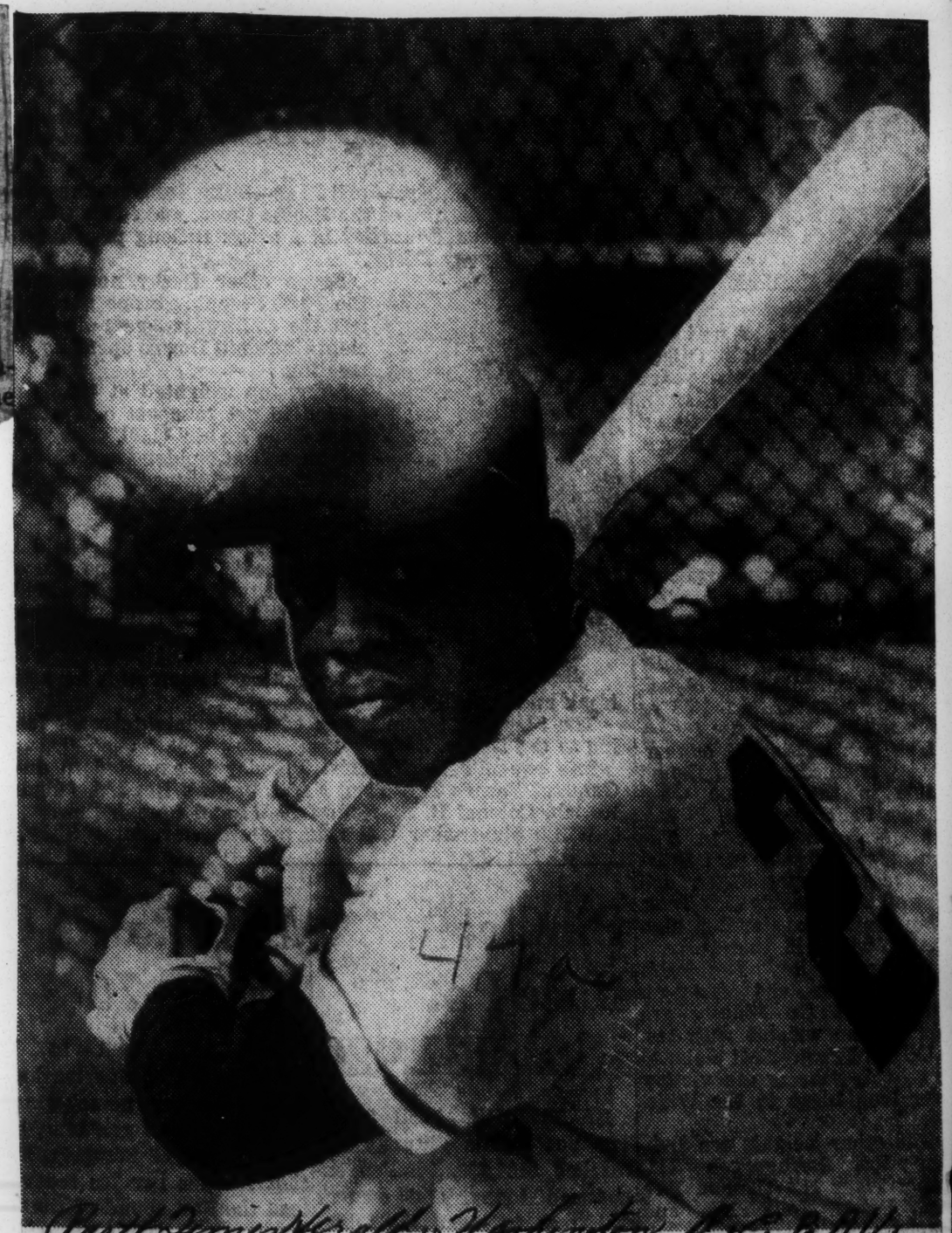
"I believe the new name would help in creating more interest among the fans," Tatum said. "Add to this the fact that I will introduce to the players the best 'shadow ball' of any team in the country."

The Detroit team was given the name of Stars by the late John (Tenny) Blount when he established the team in 1920 as one of the original teams in the now defunct Negro National League which was established by the late Andrew (Rube) Foster in 1920.

SINCE QUITTING the Globetrotters in 1956 Tatum has played with the Harlem Magicians, which he operated with Marquis Haynes. In the past two years he has operated his own team, the Harlem Stars.

Tatum said he would have his team in spring training at Birmingham, Ala., by no later than April 28, where they will prepare for the Negro-American League season opener on May 25.

Rasberry said the Kansas City Monarchs will report for spring training at Birmingham on April 20, and would meet the Birmingham Black Barons in an exhibition game at Rickwood Park in Birmingham, April 28.



WILLIE LOOKS AT ONE—In a pitcher's-eye view, Willie Mays look anything but friendly as he takes dead aim on a fastball. But Willie is definitely happy about the move of the New York Giants to San Francisco.

NEGRO PLAYER DEMANDED

Detroit Refuses To Bow To Boycott Threat

DETROIT (AP)—The Detroit Tigers refused Tuesday to set a date by which the baseball club would have a Negro player on its roster, despite a Negro group's threat to boycott Briggs Stadium.

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Giant Fan Called 'Out'

'Heavy-Hearted' Justice Bars Suit

With "heaviness of heart," Supreme Court Justice Harry B. Frank dismissed yesterday a suit by a "dyed-in-the-wool" Giant baseball fan to prevent the National League team moving to San Francisco.

. . . McGraw . . .

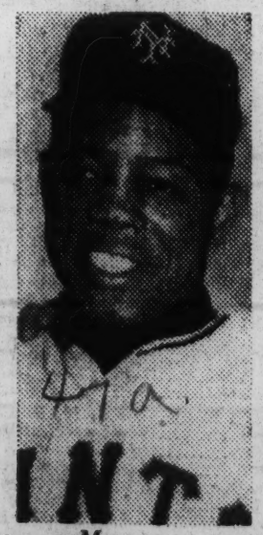
Justice Frank said that although his sympathies were with the fan, Julius November, holder of ten shares of preferred and ten of common stock in the National Exhibition Co., he had failed to make out a legal case.

In a twelve-page opinion, Justice Frank said that November's contentions were legally "outs."

Justice Frank wrote, in part:

"This case has, in truth, been a most difficult one for the court to resolve, for beneath the judicial robes beats the heart of a Giant fan.

"As the spring breezes bring closer opening day of the great American pastime, nostalgic memories spring sharply into focus—from the far past the unsurpassed exploits of 'Iron Man' McGinnity, Roger Bresnahan, Christy Mathewson, Chief Meyers and Rogers Hornsby, and, closer to our own times, the glory of ten pennants under the great John ("Muggsy") McGraw, the inimitable 'screwball' of Carl Hubbell, the affable Mel Ott, that less than speedy Ernie Lombardi, the irrepressible Willie Mays and the drama of Bobby Thomson's winning home run in the 1951 play-offs against the 'Bums,' to carry on the tradition.



. . . Mays . . .

"A wave of regret wells up at the thought that the Polo Grounds will cease to be the repository of these memories, and that no more will the clarion call, 'Play Bal,' echo from Coogan's Bluff.

"It is truly an American phenomenon that a game can reduce to equality in emotional frenzy all within its grasp from Chief Executive to humblest citizen.

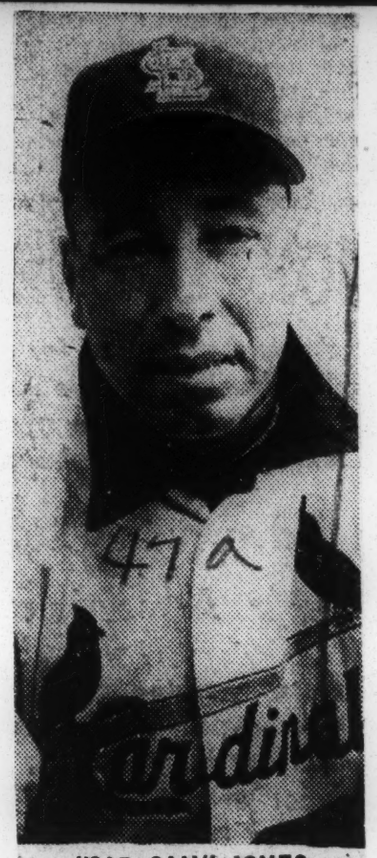
"Indeed, when the count is three and two, the Sputniks and Vanguards fade into insignificance beside that tiny whirling sphere that orbits 90 feet from its Cape Canaveral at the mound to the unknown at the plate.

"The court readily admits that its sympathies lie wholly with that 'dyed-in-the-wool' Giant fan who is the plaintiff, and fully understands the emotional upset experienced by him.

"And so, it is with heaviness of heart that the court, as distinguished from the fan, must find that plaintiff's contentions, while sentimentally 'four-baggers,' are legally 'outs.'

"The complaint is dismissed, and judgment granted for the defendant."

Good Scout: President Eisenhower who rarely attends a baseball game, save for his annual appearance in Griffith Stadium to toss out the first ball of the season, nevertheless proved himself a good judge of baseball talent. BRANCH RICKEY, board chairman of the Pittsburgh Pirates, signed up Preston Bruce Jr., a young Negro pitcher and son of a White House doorman, after his scouts confirmed the appraisal he received from the President at a White House stag dinner last July. "You ought to look this boy up . . . he's a darn good pitcher."



"SAD SAM" JONES

Bruton 'toughest' for SO king Jones

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — One of baseball's quirks is that certain unspectacular hitters have a way of pounding the top pitchers and vice versa.

Don Newcombe who was a 27-game winner two years ago, says he will never forget how Mike Goliat, a .234 batter when he was with the Phillies, "used to wear me out."

SAD SAM JONES, who became the strikeout king of the National League last Thursday, has such a nemesis. His big problem at the plate is Billy Bruton of the world champion Milwaukee Braves.

Jones struck out eight Chicago batsmen Thursday in beating the Cubs, 4-2, at Chicago. That brought his total for the year to 201 whiffs in 211 innings, the highest in St. Louis Cardinals history and the first over-200 season for a National League hurler in 17 years.

THE PREVIOUS high for the Cards was the great Dizzy Dean's 199 strikeouts in 1933. And the last man to better 200 fans in the NL was Cincinnati's Johnny Vandermeer with 202 in 1941.

Despite his brilliant strikeout record and a fine past that includes a no-hit, no-run game in 1955, Jones has a .270 hitter as his top peeve.

"THAT BRUTON," says Sam, "may be .270 against the rest of the league but he must be .800 against me. Every time I see that guy he's on base.

"Even (Stan) Musial, when I was with the Cubs, didn't hurt me so much.

"Of course, it's nicer being on Stan's side but he wasn't the pain in the head that Billy is to me.

"They're better hitters, but I feel better facing (Hank) Aaron, (Willie) Mays and (Ernie) Banks, than that fellow Bruton."

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Awards for Champions—Warren Spahn, left, and Henry Aaron, both of the world champion Milwaukee Braves, proudly display two of baseball's most distinguished awards in Milwaukee last week. Aaron received the Kenesaw Mountain Landis Memorial Plaque as the National League's most valuable player, and Spahn received the Cy Young award as the most valuable pitcher in the major leagues.

TWO NEWCOMERS JOIN DETROIT TIGERS

OSSIE VIRGIL AND HERB MOFORD TALK WITH FORMER DETROIT TIGERS MANAGER JACK TIGHE, WHO WAS REPLACED BY BILL NORMAN, AT WASHINGTON'S GRIFFITH STADIUM. VIRGIL A THIRD BASEMAN, BECAME THE FIRST COLORED PLAYER TO EVER DON A TIGER UNIFORM WHEN HE WAS ADDED TO THE TEAM'S ROSTER.

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Six Major League Scouts Watch Negro Nines Split in Twin Bill

By LOUIS EFFRAT

Six scouts from major league clubs saw the Detroit Clowns split a double-header with the Memphis Red Sox yesterday at the Yankee Stadium. The presence of these bird dogs was as important to the Negro American League as were the 9,506 spectators. The reasons are obvious.

Without paying fans there would be no Negro American League and without such an organized circuit there would be no real showcase from which might spring the future Jackie Robinsons, Roy Campanellas, Hank Aarons and others of their race who made the big jump to the majors.

It had been twelve years since this loop last staged contests here and there was interest for all yesterday as the Clowns beat the Red Sox, 13—3, in the first game, only to be downed, 7—6, in the second. The second game was called because of darkness after six and a half innings.

Long-Range Slugging

Fellows like Detroit's Johnny Childress and Bernard Porter won the fancy of the crowd with their long-range slugging, but the appearance of the scouts had those who were aware of them buzzing excitedly.

No get-rich-quick scheme is behind the return of the Negro American League to these parts. Those connected with the enterprise were pleasantly surprised by the gate, but Frank Forbes and Julius Isaacson, who are behind the project, insist they are primarily interested in the players' future.

The athletes, too, know no bank accounts will be fattened by playing in this league. They are willing to make the long trips in buses, sleep and eat on a catch-as-catch-can basis and if they're lucky, wind up the month earning $250. All this beeause by playing in this league they know they will be "seen."

And "seen" they were yesterday. Honey Russell of the Braves, Ray Garland of the Yankees, Ed Holly of the White Sox, Bill Yancey of the Phillies, Gene Bonnaveau of the Giants and Tom Carey of the Orioles were spotted doing the spotting for the big league outfits.

Dwarfed by His Hitting

Based on what happened in the twin bill, there may be some lively bidding for the talent. Top prices may go for Childress and Porter, especially the former, who pitched for the Clowns in the opener, checking the Red Sox with two hits. His hurling was impressive enough, but that was dwarfed alongside his hitting.

Five times the 19-year-old star from Columbus, Tenn., came to bat. Three triples, a double, a single and four runs batted in, plus the two he scored himself, were his contributions to the victory.

Porter, also 19, but bigger and heavier than Childress, hails from Chicago. This lad proved to be a top-notch slugger with two homers, one inside the park, in the second game.

If it was speed the scouts were seeking they needed only to watch Lonnie Harris, 24-year-old outfielder from the Bronx. Harris warmed up by stealing one base in the first game. He pilfered four in the next encounter, including his steal of home in the sixth inning. That one won the ball game.

James A. Farley, the former postmaster general and who, in his youth was known as the "Haverstraw first baseman," tossed out the first ball. Carmen Basilio, the former middleweight champion, was a spectator. So was Dan Topping, co-owner of the Yankees.

FIRST GAME

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Detroit	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	5	4—13	15	0
Memphis	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0— 3	2	3

Batteries—Childress and Hamilton; Pride and Barnes.
Home Run—Memphis: Higgins.

SECOND GAME

Detroit Clowns	0	0	0	5	1	0	0		—6	7	3
Memphis Red Sox.	2	3	1	0	0	1			—7	6	3

Called, darkness.
Batteries—Cotton, Richardson and Hudson, Hamilton; Walker and Hayes, Barnes

Ossie Virgil First Negro Signed By Detroit Tigers

DETROIT. — Ossie Virgil, a 25-year-old native of the Dominican Republic, has cracked the color-line with the Detroit Tigers, who thereby became the 15th major league club to integrate its personnel.

The Tigers had stubbornly resisted Negro players since 1947 when Branch Rickey signed Jackie Robinson as the first of his race in modern organized competition.

Virgil was called up from Charleston, W. Va., of the American Association.

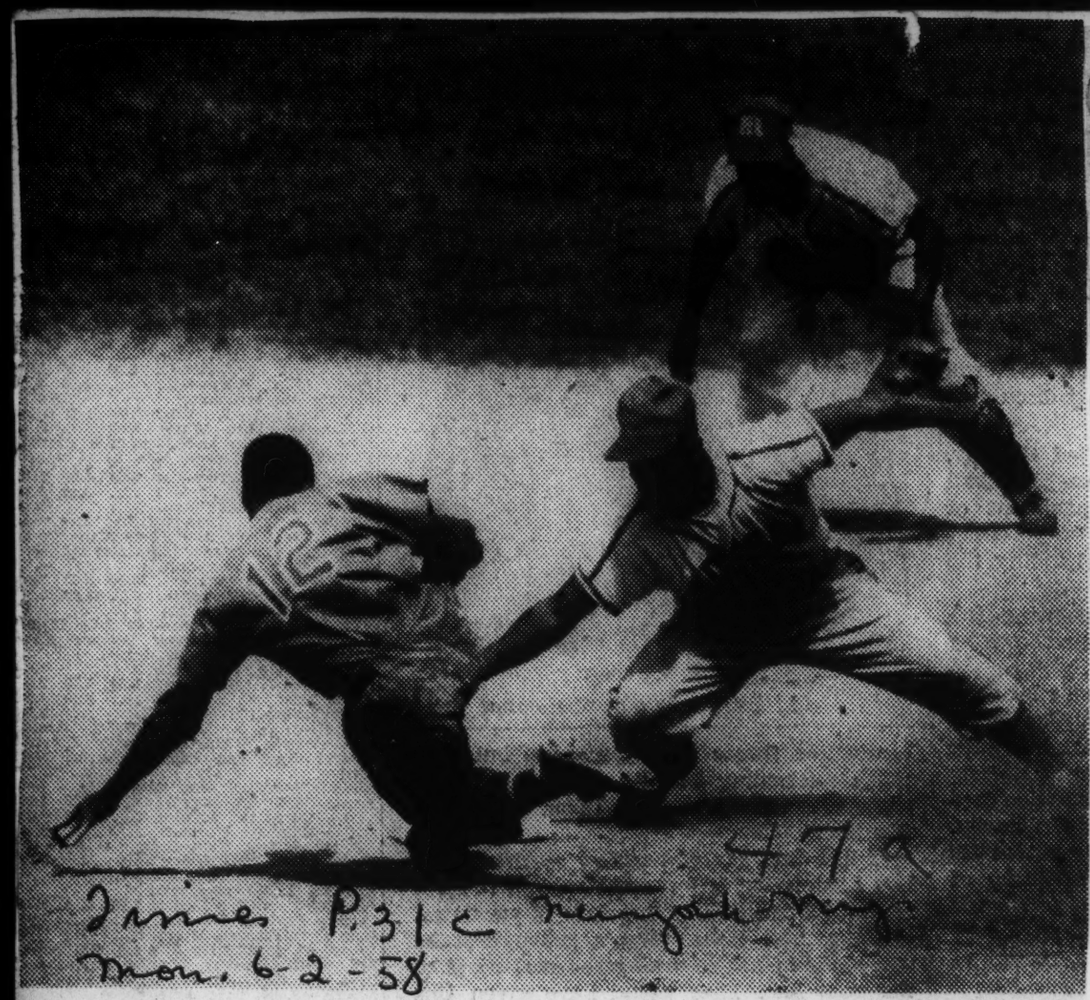
Last year Virgil was with the New York Giants. He was peddled to the Tigers in January along with Gail Harris for Jim Finigan and cash.

At that time the Tigers said he was obtained for Charleston, not for the parent club.

Thursday with the Tigers in last place in the American League, Virgil was promoted. The move leaves only the Boston Red Sox with a history of no Negro players.

Coming with Virgil to the Tigers will be Herb Moford, a 29-year-old right-handed pitcher who has kicked around the minors for years despite better than average records. This season Moford has a spectacular .098 earned run average an a 6-0 mark which includes three starts and two shutouts.

To make room, the Tigers farmed out utility man Lou Skizas and pitcher Bob Shaw. Skizas was hitting .242 and Shaw had a 1-2 record.



The New York Times

BACK IN NEW YORK: Art Hamilton of Detroit being tagged out in an attempted steal of second by Jim Banks of Memphis during second inning at Yankee Stadium. Rufus Gibson backs up play. Negro American League returned to New York after 12-year absence.

19-Year-Old Outfielder Hailed

In Texas Davis Is As Valuable as Oil

VICTORIA, Tex.—Down here in the biggest and richest (that's what the natives say) state in the Union, they like their baseball players to be like everything else . . . the best.

That is why a 19-year-old native of Brooklyn, N.Y., better known as Herman Thomas (Call Me Tom) Davis, is making such a big hit with the Victoria Rosebuds of the Texas League. Davis, it seems, is quite a ball player.

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A MEMBER of the Los Angeles Dodgers' chain, Davis has been in organized baseball since 1956, the year he was graduated from high school. He played the last half of that year with Hornell in the Pony League and then switched to Kokomo in the Class D Midwest League.

Last season he almost took that loop apart. In hitting he led the league with 115 runs and 185 hits. He connected for 17 home runs, drove in 104 and stole—and listen to this—68 bases.

That was enough of a record for the Dodgers to convince them that the speedy outfielder was ready for the big jump from Class D ball to Class AA. So far nobody has regretted the move.

As of last week Davis had provided Texas with the biggest boom since oil was discovered. He is proving just as valuable.

So far he is leading the league in stolen bases and hits. His average is around the .330 mark. He is among the top seven in RBI's, among the top 15 in hitting, among the top ten in homers and among the top 17 in run scoring. In addition to all this he had a 19-game hitting streak going.

DESPITE THIS outstanding performance at the plate, Davis says pitchers in the Texas League "are fooling heck out of me." With his speed he insists he's a BAD base runner.

"Last year when I stole all those bases I was running with my speed and strength. Now I'm trying to learn to run with my head."

However he runs, Davis has speed to burn. A 195-pounder, who swings from the right side, he has been clocked in 6.3.4 going to first base. This season he hit an inside the park homer after the centerfielder got his hands on the ball just as Tom reached second.

Born in Brooklyn, Davis hit .480 in his last year in high school. It was then that the Dodgers virtually snatched him away from the New York Yankees.

"I was just about ready to sign with the Yankees, when Al Campanis of the Dodgers came to the house and talked to my mother and me. He told me about the opportunities for a Negro with the Dodgers and a lot of other things. When he got through he had convinced me and my mother. So I signed with them."

The way things look now, the youngster may turn out to be one of the biggest "steals" in the history of baseball.

Boston And Detroit Keep Clubs Lilywhite

(ANP) — Another major league baseball season is upon us. It promises to be a good year for some 50 or so tan players on the roster of 14 of 16 teams. Only the Boston Red Sox and the Detroit Tigers will have lilywhite personnel.

Here is the breakdown on the teams with tan players as the 1958 campaign opened.

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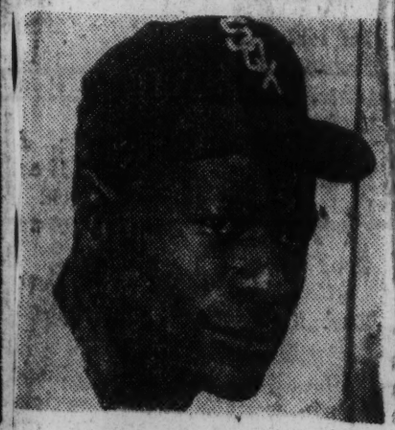
MILWAUKEE BRAVES — Team has possible super star in Hank Aaron, 1957 major league home run and runs batted in champion. Wes Covington, fielding hero of the 1957 World Series, also could blossom into star performer and improve upon his .288 batting average. Felix Mantilla is a fine fielding performer and valuable as pinch runner or hitter. Team hurt by absence of B. Burton, still recovering from injured leg suffered last July. Humberte Robinson good pitching prospect, might be traded.

FELIX MANTILLA

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Would like to have Sam Jones contribute 20 victories, and if he delivered it would make the Redbirds a distinct pennant threat. Frank Barnes could help out on the mound. He is a rookie up from Omaha. Curtis Floyd, 20-year-old outfielder - infielder, might stick because of his versatility. Joe Taylor, 32-year-old outfielder considered for pinch-hitting role.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Sorely miss Roy Campanella, who suffered crippling injury in auto accident. Hoping for a comeback by Don Newcombe, a 27-game winner two years ago. Charlie Neal considered coming star of the team, and will play either shortstop or second. Junior Gilliam an asset as a leadoff man, might wind up in the outfield. John Roseboro, young catcher, has to hit to earn a regular shot as Campy's replacement.

CINCINNATI REDLEGS — Frank Robinson, team's batting star, will vie for triple crown — batting, home run and RBI. Might have rookie sensation in Vada Pinson — if he hits major league pitching. Brooks Lawrence, pitching mainstay; George Crowe, provides home run power, and Bob Thurman, useful as pinchhitter and outfield sub.



CONNIE JOHNSON

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Chico Fernandez, field whiz and a .260 hitter. Team hopes that Frank Herrera can come through at first to plug a big hole.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Might have baseball's greatest performer in Willie Mays. The incomparable center fielder might threaten Babe Ruth's home run record with more friendly park. If rookies Willie Kirkland and Orlando Cepeda come through, team might be more of a threat than experts predict. Ruben Gomez, Puerto Rican righthander, might improve on his 15-13 record of last season. Andre Rodgers, spring training star of last year, making determined bid to stay with team.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Roberto Clemente might be star if he has recovered from back miseries. Gene Baker will be used as utility infielder. Bennie Daniels, mound addition. Roman Mejias, outfielder and Jim Pendleton, utility player and pinchhitter, on the expendable list.

CHICAGO CUBS — Star is Ernie Banks, who hit 43 home runs last season. Manager Bob Scheffing likes Tony Taylor, Cuban rookie, who might play either second or third base. Lou Jackson, another rookie, has been given thorough trial in the outfield, but is back with a farm team.

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NEW YORK YANKEES — Manager Casey Stengel has vowed to use Elston Howard strictly as a catcher this season. The versatile Howard has been hitting well in the Grapefruit League. Harry Simpson, also enjoying fine spring, probably will be retained as utility player and pinchhitter, despite a broken wrist that has sidelined him since the season began.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Worried over condition of outfielder Al Smith, who had not seen any action in spring training because inflamed tendon on an ankle. Manager Al Lopez believes Earl Battey ready to make his mark as major league catcher.

BALTIMORE — In Connie Johnson, the Orioles have one of the best pitchers in baseball. If Charlie Beamon could deliver, the pitching would be helped. Bob Boyd, fancy fielding first baseman, is dependable hitter. Joe Durham and Lennie Green, young outfielders, might be optioned or traded.

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Minnie Minoso and Larry Doby, both former tribesmen, rejoined the team via trades and will add punch. Billy Harrell likely to stick as utility infielder and might eventually win the third base job. Jim (Mudcat) Grant, a rookie hurler, has been promoted to the varsity and will be counted for relief work.

WASHINGTON SENATORS — Julio Becquer will be retained because of his fielding and pinchhitting ability. Carlos Paula, a hard hitting outfielder, probably will not make the team.

KANSAS CITY ATHLETICS — Vic Power, installed as clean up hitter, looking for good year. So is Hector Lopez, who apparently has won back his regular third base job.

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47 Players Report For Monarchs' Drills

Courier Pittsburgh, Pa. p.27 Sat. 5-3-58

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—A record-breaking crop of 47 players was on hand here this week as the Kansas City Monarchs, a perennial power in the Negro-American League, opened their spring training grind.

Faced with more than 140 games with some of the nation's leading professional and independent baseball clubs, owner Ted Rasberry and Manager Dizzy Dismukes have set up a rigid three-week training camp in hopes of nailing down another Negro American League championship and to surpass last year's record of 96 wins in 141 starts.

With many of last year's Monarchs stars now the property of major league clubs and displaying their wares in AA and AAA leagues, the Monarchs are concentrating on a youthful rebuilding job.

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BACK FOR another season, however, are several key players from last year's team.

The Monarchs' pitching staff is headed by a pair of outstanding right-handers in William Jones and Elmer Clark. The pair accounted for 21 victories against five defeats in pacing last year's championship team.

Jones, a lanky speedball artist, was the league's top hurler with an 11-1 record. He averaged nine strikeouts per game in 1957 and had several major league clubs on his trail.

Clark, another right-hander, finished with a 10-4 mark last season. When he isn't pitching, Manager Dismukes takes advantage of his hard hitting and uses Clark in the outfield. He batted .349 last year.

To replace Ira McKnight, who was sold to the New York Yankees last fall, Dismukes has Al Jackson to fill in behind the plate. Jackson, just released from the Army, is from Saginaw, Mich., and played two years in the service. He is rated a "find" by the club owners. Al is strictly a punch hitter, but he averaged well over the .300 mark in the Army.

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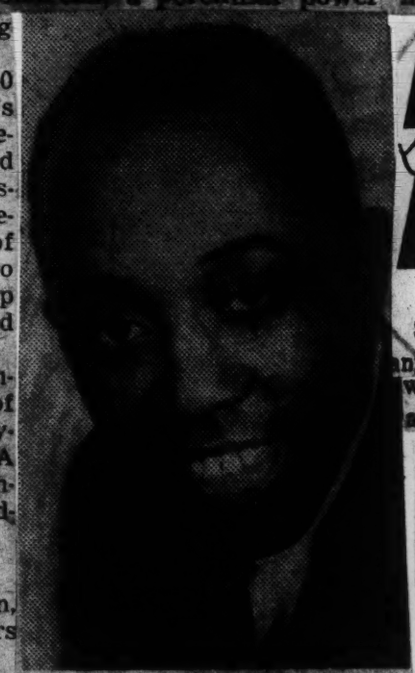
FRANK MARSH, one of the veterans in Negro American League baseball, has no peers when it comes to handling the first-base job. Frank rapped the ball at a merry .361 pace in 1957 and banged out 53 homers. He also led the club in doubles.

Willie Washington, out for most of the 1957 season with a broken leg, rounds out the experienced infield candidates. He handles the hot corner with all the poise of a major-leaguer.

To add more strength to the outfield, the Monarchs purchased Palmer Hubbard from the Detroit Stars. Hubbard hit .337 in 1957 to lead Detroit to second place in the league.



TED RASBERRY
. . . K. C. owner

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Indianapolis Clowns Are Proving For Negro Baseball Prospects

Defender Chicago, Ill. Sat. 5-17-58 p.23

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Ask any major league team manager where tomorrow's Negro stars are most likely to come from and before the conversation is through the name Indianapolis Clowns is sure to come up.

This has been the case since the big-time clubs first started tapping this rich talent bank over 10 years ago. And the "tapping" continues despite the loss of a number of former Negro American League teams.

Fortunately, the Clowns were able to survive the bad times NAL baseball suffered during the mid-forties.

In fact, it was General Manager Syd Pollock who pointed out that Negro players would still have to get a start in organized ball before the major leagues would be interested in giving most of them a tryout.

"And where else," he pointed out, "can these boys get experience if not with teams like the Clowns."

LOOK FOR MATERIAL

Pollock's prediction was to bear itself out within a few more years as the majors looked more and more to the Negro teams for new blood. True, it was difficult for the Clowns to operate around that time, but Pollock dipped deep into what little reserve the team had and kept the players going.

The team helped offset the "drought" by booking mostly in the Southern states for a year or two, but still played a part of their schedule in major league parks.

Wherever they went they attracted more and more fans until today they hold the enviable reputation of being Negro baseball's top attraction.

Hank Aaron, the Milwaukee Braves' $40,000 outfield star, is but one of the products of the Clowns who is in major baseball today. Aaron has never stopped crediting his former boss with having given him his first chance. And he will tell anyone that he "got his start" with the four-time Negro American League champs.

SPOTTED IN 1952

Pollock and Manager Ed Hamman first spotted Aaron in the spring of 1952, when he was playing with a sandlot club in Mobile, Ala.

He had been given a tryout the previous fall while barnstorming with Jackie Robinson's All-Stars and when the Clowns first string shortstop was injured, they picked him up.

That was in April, and barely a month later (May 29) Pollock and Hamman sold him to the Braves for $10,000. Hank had done so well at shortstop that the regular player never got back into the lineup.

There is a great deal to this story which later led to a lasting friendship between John Mullen, farm director of the Braves, and Pollock.

In the spring of '53, after his great bow at Eau Claire, Aaron was moved to Milwaukee's Toledo Farm of the American Association for spring training.

USED IN SPOTS

Toledo used him in spots, then put him in the stands to watch the exhibition games and get some pointers. Aaron contacted Pollock and told him he wanted "to play ball, not watch."

Syd in turn called Mullen, and Aaron was farmed to Jacksonville. From then on it was a short jump to Milwaukee and baseball fame.

Pollock's career has been very interesting. He started promoting touring baseball teams more than 40 years ago. Abe Saperstein, wealthy owner-coach of the Harlem Globetrotters basketball team once worked for Pollock and undoubtedly owes much of his success to Syd's teaching.

This master minding promoter of attractions has again started in the Clowns from their training base here, and again the scouts are on their trail. Perhaps there's another Hank Aaron on board, and if there is it's just one more tribute to a gent who has done much to keep baseball on top as a national pasttime.

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Negroes Can't Wait, Says J. Robinson

Post Herald

JACKSON, Feb. 16 (U.P.)—Former Baseball Star Jackie Robinson said today Negroes cannot wait for the end of racial prejudice to enjoy their constitutional rights.

Robinson, addressing a statewide meeting of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said that prejudice might remain but Negroes seek "suppression of the hostile manifestations of racial prejudice."

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The greying, plump ex-athlete—the first of his race to break the major league barrier against Negroes—admitted the Negro "may have wanted to strike back with arms" but called for "victory . . . through legal and political action and through education."

Robinson assured his audience that "segregation as a way of life is on the way out."

"Negro citizens today are enjoying their constitutional rights in greater measure than ever despite the revival of bigotry in the South," he said. "More Americans of all races are becoming aware of the damage prejudice does to our national life."

Robinson pointed out the large number of Negroes to join major league teams since he donned a Brooklyn Dodger uniform in 1946 and commented that "integration in everyday life can be as successful as the progress of integration in baseball."

Boycott Threatens Detroit

Post Herald

DETROIT, April 24 (AP)—Forty Detroit Negroes, calling themselves the Briggs Stadium Boycott Committee, today said they would contact Detroit Tiger General Manager John McHale in an effort to force the Tigers to hire Negro baseball players.

"We want action and are not interested in promises," said the Rev. George Hill Jr., dean of the United Theological Seminary and chairman of the committee formed yesterday.

Although Detroit has several Negro players at its various affiliated farm clubs, the Tigers have never fielded a Negro player in a major league game.

Contacted by newsmen today, McHale said the Tigers have been willing not to be pressured into bringing up a Negro.

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The Rev. Mr. Hill said if his group does not come to agreement with the Tigers by May 7, a meeting will be held and the committee will decide on a date to boycott the stadium.

"Since 1954 the club has spent approximately $75,000 on colored players and at Tigertown this Spring 12½ per cent of the personnel—or 22 players—were Negroes," said McHale.

CONGRATULATIONS — Baseball's all-time hero, Jackie Robinson (left) extends congratulations to John Moss, captain of the Dillard university football team that won the 1957 Gulf Coast Athletic conference championship at a banquet honoring Dillard athletes. Left to right are: Robinson, Dr. Albert W. Dent, president of Dillard, Dr. Wesley N. Segre, president of the Dillard Fullbackers, sponsors of the banquet, and Armstead A. Pierce.

9 Negroes in uniform as Dodgers arrive

Negro players on the Dodgers, who make their debut as L. A.'s own 'Bums' today, and on the San Francisco Giants, loom both as rookies and established players "mostly likley to succeed" this season, baseball wiseacres were saying sagely this week as they looked over the Dodgers' prospects for the pennant.

With Los Angeles alive with expectancy, Major League Baseball in all its gum-chewing, peanut-eating, bawling, sweating glory, bows into Los Angeles today. After being on the losing end of a three-game series this week with the Giants in San Francisco, the Dodgers are expected to take at least a 'courtesy' victory from the Giants in today's game.

Excepting only the talented veteran Duke Snider, semi-rookie Charley Neal, a slightly built Negro from Longview, Tex., looms as the "Dodger most likely to succeed" this year.

The 27-year-old Neal is normally a second baseman, and is a mainstay of the team there but there is added potential in the fact that he also plays shortstop.

Nashville-born, 30-year-old Jim "Junior" Gilliam is also a key man with the Dodgers this year. A switchhitter, Gilliam is equally versatile in infield or outfield.

CAMPY'S SUCCESSOR?

In todays game a youngster will appear in Roy Campanella's old uniform to remind fans that Campy is still on the team.

Young Rookie John Roseboro looks like the likely candidate for the job. He has been tabbed by followers of the game as the most promising catcher with the Dodgers, reports that he was a weak hitter during practice.

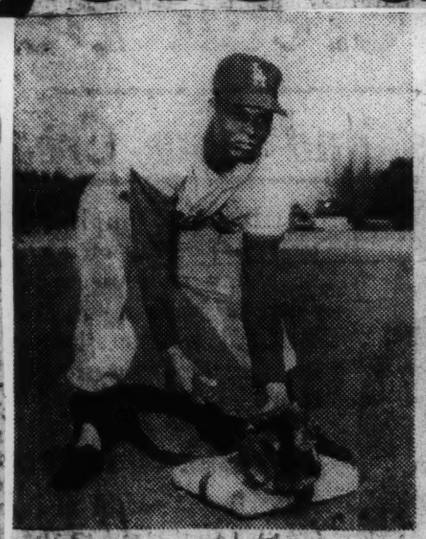
Don Newcombe who was knocked out of the box in yesterday's game will probably pitch again in the next few days against Chicago. But in spite of Thursday, baseball wiseacres are cautioning fans not to write off Newcombe. Don is the most unpredictable man in baseball.

In today's game with the "Willy Mays nine", the Dodgers will be pitting their skills against many Negro stars on the Giant Roster.

Orlando Cepeda, a rookie from Puerto Rico, was a standout in the game Tuesday as his team the Giants walloped the Dodgers. His countryman, Ruben Gomez who pitched the game, called him the best rookie infielder he has ever seen. The 20-year-old Cepeda's slugging exploits at Minneapolis won him an invitation to try out for the team, and it looks like he has made it.

Another standout who is expected to see action today is Willie Kirkland, an outfielder, who came to major league attention as an Army ball player. A 20 year old Detroiter, he compiled 141 runs during his four years of Minor and Army League play.

The Giants have recruited a catcher, 28-year-old Valmy Thomas from the Virgin Islands, to strengthen them at the position behind the batter. Thomas, whose best hitting year was in 1956 when he hit .366 for Albuquerque, went down to .249 last year and is considered a balmy hitter.



Charlie Neal

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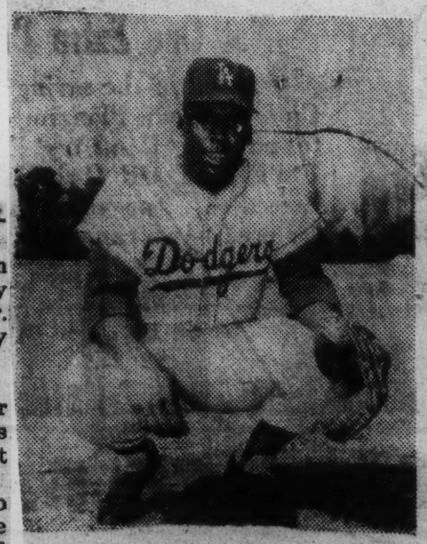
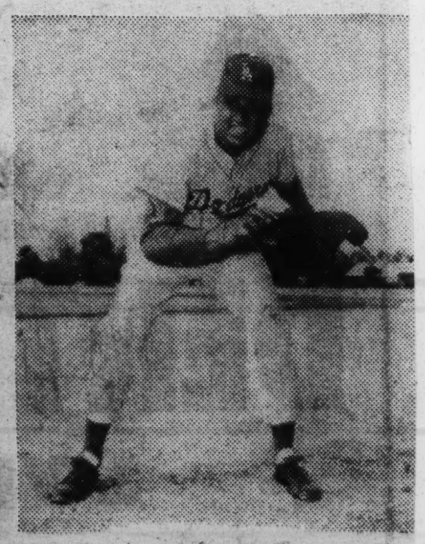


John Roseboro



Don Newcombe

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Cincinnati Outfielder Eyes Triple Crown

Frank Robinson Aims High in '58

TAMPA, Fla.—In just two years under the major league big tent, Frank Robinson of the Cincinnati Redlegs has developed into one of the finest players in the game.

As the National League's "Rookie of the Year" in 1956, Robinson slammed out 38 home runs and topped that off with a batting average of .290. Last season, starting his second year and facing baseball's "sophomore jinx," Robinson lambasted opposing pitchers with a .322 batting average and made the all-star team for the second year in a row.

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NOW GOING into his third season with the Redlegs, Robinson has set three goals for himself and if he attains them he could easily walk off with the National League's triple crown.

Talking seriously, Robinson said here last week, "I'd like to bat .350, hit 40 homers and drive-home 125 runs."

That, of course, is a big order even for a man of Robinson's unlimited talent. But there are people here in Cincinnati's camp who believe he is capable of reaching his goal.

One is Manager Birdie Tebbetts, a staunch rooter and believer in Robinson's ability. "There is no telling what this kid might end up doing," the portly pilot said. "He has all the natural ability in the world. He's been learning constantly, so it figures that he is about ready to enjoy a great season in every department he mentions."

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CHIEF OBSTACLE facing Robinson could very well be in the RBI department. Last season he drove him only 75 RBI's, so he must improve tremendously in this phase of the game.

Robinson is of the opinion that he might have been pressing too hard last season. With men on base he believes he was concentrating on getting them home too much.

"I was hitting their pitch," he said. "This year I'm going to hit mine."

Even though his average picked up considerably during his sophomore season in the majors, Robinson feels his second time around was tougher than the first.

"The pitchers knew more about me," he explained. At the same time, however, it was obvious that Robinson had learned a lot about the pitchers also. It also seems probable that he'll make even better use of that knowledge this year.

FRANK ROBINSON
". . . a big 1958?"

Clowns baseball team to begin spring training

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — The Indianapolis Clowns baseball team will start spring training here beginning Wednesday, April 16, it was announced by general manager Syd Pollock this week.

According to Pollock, 50 players have enrolled in what will be a nip-and-tuck battle for starting positions.

In charge of pre-season drills are coach Sylvester Snead, ex-Clowns and New York Black Yankees star, and business manager Ed Hamman. The two veteran baseball men have declared starting jobs "wide open" for competition.

THIS YEAR'S squad will be without the services of pitchers Raymond Holmes and Mike Franks, outfielder Verdes Drake and infielders George Smith and Mitchell Bell.

These boys were upped to the major leagues at the close of the 1957 campaign, and the youngsters in camp are to get first shot at their vacant positions.

The four-time colored American League champion Clowns will officially unfurl their colors on April 27, when they take on the Los Angeles Hawks (Pacific Coast Colored Champions) and the Atlanta Stars at Ponce deLeon Park, Atlanta, Ga.

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THIS IS THE club's 29th baseball campaign. Since starting their own barnstorm several years ago, the Clowns have taken the measure of such outstanding independents as the Jackie Robinson All-Stars.

The games with Jackie's teams attracted as high as 9,000 fans.

Robbie's team boasted such standouts as Larry Doby, Roy Campanella, Jim Gilliam, Ernie Banks and Don Newcombe.

Machen, Folley In Top Form For Tonight's Bout

SAN FRANCISCO (INS)— The nation's two top ranking challengers for the heavyweight title — Eddie Machen and Cora Folley — wound up training and were pronounced in top condition for their 12-round battle at San Francisco's Cow Palace Wednesday night.

Machen, ranked as No. 1 contender, will enter the ring a 2-to-1 favorite over Folley, ranked No. 2, but there was little money being wagered at those odds.

The fight, which will be nationally televised but blacked out locally, is expected to draw a gate of $80,000.

At stake is a possible match with Champion Floyd Patterson and a share in a million-dollar gate.

Matchmaker George Parnassus of Los Angeles arrived on the scene today with an offer of 20 per cent of the gate for the winner to fight Patterson in the Los Angeles Coliseum. He has wired Patterson a guarantee of $250,000 for such a match.

Folley will enter the ring with a record of 45 fights, 25 of which he won by knockouts.

Machen lays on the line a record of 24 fights without a defeat.

Folley is rated a clever boxer and swift counter-puncher while Machen, despite his impressive record, has been criticized as lacking the "killer instinct."

President Turns Baseball Scout, And Pittsburgh Signs His Find

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White House Doorkeeper's Son Gets Pitching Chance After a Tip to Branch Rickey

By FELIX BELAIR Jr.

Special to The New York Times.

AUGUSTA, Ga., April 12—Dwight D. Eisenhower, baseball talent scout, expressed satisfaction today that his first "discovery," the son of a White House doorkeeper, had been signed as a pitcher by the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The youth has been assigned to a Pirate farm, The Lincoln (Neb.) club in the Class A Western League.

In making the signing known today, James C. Hagerty, described President Eisenhower as "a pretty darn good ball player" as center fielder for the West Point team until he hurt his left knee playing football in his second year.

The story of the President's "find" was recounted to the White House press secretary as the two were going through the mail this morning in the living room of the Eisenhower cottage at the Augusta National Golf Club. It went back to last July 23 when Branch Rickey, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Pirates, was a guest at a White House stag dinner.

During the evening General Eisenhower introduced the doorkeeper, Preston Bruce Sr. to Mr. Rickey. He told the Pirate official of young Bruce's ability as a pitcher for Dunbar High School in Washington and more recently for Lyndon Teachers College at Lyndon Center, Vt., where the boy is graduating this year.

Rickey Agrees to Try-out

Mr. Bruce took it from there, as the President recalled, and Mr. Rickey agreed to give the boy a try-out. The 21-year-old Bruce is a science major at Lyndon. As a member of the college ball team he had met President Eisenhower when his father arranged for the group to visit the White House last spring.

Apparently conscious that the President's good offices might have cost the nation a science teacher at a time when they were most needed, Mr. Hagerty sought to minimize the intervention of General Eisenhower. He told of the President's introducing the elder Bruce to Mr. Richer and said:

"And that's all the President had to do with it."

But Mr. Hagerty need not have worried about this conflict of Presidential interests. Reporters who were on hand at the time the Lyndon team visited the White House recalled that Young Bruce had been questioned about his enthusiasm for science teaching.

He liked that prospect "just fine", Young Bruce remarked. But if he were lucky enough to make the big leagues, then science would have to wait a while, he explained.

Young Bruce is a 6-foot 4-inch right hander who has won college letters in baseball, basketball and soccer.

The Pirates signed him after he worked out at their minor league training camp in Jacksonville Beach, Fla., during his Easter recess from college.

Ideal Day for Golf

It was another ideal day for golf as the President teed off for his usual eighteen holes over the Augusta National course early this afternoon. He had lunched about noon and then had taken an hour's nap before starting out.

The temperature was pushing 70 degrees at the start of the round and only a gentle breeze stsirred the dogwood trees and azalea bushes bordering the fairways. His score aside, the only basis for Presidential complaint with the weather was the way the brilliant sunshine reflected from the top of his putter blade and made it difficult at times to line up his putts.

But since his physicians told him he must not let the game "get your goat," the President has learned to take his 90 scores in stride. And when Mr. Hagerty says the President shot "just another 90," it means anything up to 100.

The President's brief contact with baseball will be renewed Monday when he goes to Griffith Stadium in Washington. He will throw out the first ball of the 1958 season at the game between the Washington Senators and the Boston Red Sox.

A press room wag, recalling the Senators' annual battle for seventh or eighth place in standing of the American League clubs, wondered for Mr. Hagerty's benefit why General Eisenhower had confined his scouting to the Pittsburgh Pirates.

Or, since the Presidents maintains a big farm at Gettysburg, Pa., why could he not lend a helping hand to the Philadelphia Phillies. Mr. Hagerty's answer to this one was lost in the laughter that followed.

Associated Press Wirephoto

Preston Bruce Jr. checks his name on club roster.

Goose Tatum buys NAL baseball club

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Baltimore

By RUSS J. COWAN

CHICAGO — Reese (Goose) Tatum, the zany basketball star who became world famous with his comical antics as a member of the Harlem Globetrotters, is returning to the sport that pried open the door to his great success—baseball.

Instead of returning as a player, Goose, who played first base for the Indianapolis Clowns before joining the Globetrotters in 1938, is returning to baseball as the owner of the Detroit Stars, a team competing in the Negro American league.

TATUM HAS purchased the Detroit franchise in the Negro American League from Ted Rasberry for a reported sum of $15,000. Rasberry had previously disposed of the Detroit franchise to a group in Grand Rapids, Mich., in 1956, but reclaimed it this winter when they failed to meet their financial obligations.

When Tatum first joined the Globetrotters he continued to play ball for Abe Saperstein, owner of the Globetrotters, but in 1941 he joined the basketball team, and from then until March 12, 1956, he was the big drawing card of the zany court stars. He was out two years while serving in the armed forces.

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TATUM, IN announcing his purchase of the club, said he would change the name of the Detroit team from Stars to Clowns.

"I believe the new name would help in creating more interest among the fans," Tatum said. "Add to this the fact that I will introduce to the players the best 'shadow ball' of any team in the country."

The Detroit team was given the name of Stars by the late John "Tenny" Blound when he established the team in 1926 as one of the original teams in the now defunct Negro National league which was established by the late Andrew "Rube" Foster in 1920.

TATUM SAID he would have his team in spring training at Birmingham, Ala., by no later than April 28, where they will prepare for the season opener on May 25.

Rasberry said the Kansas City Monarchs will report for spring training at Birmingham on April 20, and would meet the Birmingham Barons in an exhibition game at Rickwood Park in Birmingham on April 28.

Segregation Law Keeps Aaron Idle

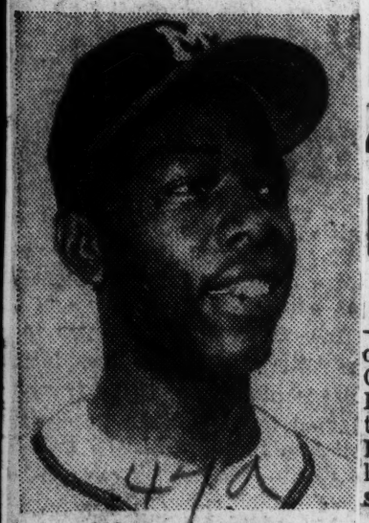
Newspaper not in volume

N.Y. Herald Tribune

CLEARWATER, Fla., May 26.—Hank Aaron and the other Negro players on the Milwaukee club did not accompany the world's champions here for today's game with the Phillies. Manager Fred Haney, of the Braves, gave as the reason the combination of accommodation problems for Negro players, and this year's Florida weather.

"When we left Bradenton this morning," said Haney, "it seemed highly unlikely that the game would be played. Because of that and the necessity for Aaron and the others finding colored cabs for transportation in Clearwater, and a different place to dress, I decided to leave them home."

Runnerup honors to Aaron in Poll



HANK AARON

Collecting a total of 21 points, Hank Aaron, star of the world champion Milwaukee Braves, finished second to Althea Gibson in the nationwide balloting to find 1957's top athlete.

The 23-year-old winner of the National League's "most valuable player" award was named on ten of a possible 16 ballots in the annual AFRO poll which covers all sections of the country.

AARON won recognition on the basis of his contributions to the winning of the first major league pennant in Milwaukee history, and his outstanding performance in the World Series victory over the New York Yankees.

Hank batted .322 for the season and he led both leagues in home runs with 44, and in runs batted in with 132.

His home-run against the St. Louis Cardinals on the night of September 23, clinched the flag for the Braves and set all Milwaukee in a state of frenzy that lasted until mid-October.

CHOOSING Aaron as top man on their ballots were John Steadman, ironically the publicist of a professional football team (the Baltimore Colts), and Jimmy Burns, sports editor and columnist of the Miami Daily Herald.

He also picked up seven second-place votes and one for third place on the 32-1 tabulations.

Admits Fla. segregation laws kept Aaron at home

CLEARWATER, Fla. (ANP) — Hank Aaron and fellow colored teammates on the World's Champions, the Milwaukee Braves did not accompany their teammates when the Braves played the Phillies here last week, because of Florida segregation laws.

However, Fred Haney, manager of the Braves put it this way: "When we left Bradenton, it seemed highly unlikely that the game would be played. Because of that and the necessity of Aaron and the others finding colored cabs for transportation and a different place to dress, I decided to leave them home."

Hank Aaron benched by Dixie law

CLEARWATER, Fla. — Tan players of the world champion Milwaukee Braves, including Hank Aaron, of course were benched by the anti - racial restrictions of this town

Manager Fred Haney of the Braves, said he did not bring his colored players along when the team came here to whip the Philadelphia Phillies last Wednesday. He gave as his reason the combination of accommodation problems for tan athletes here and the unusual weather.

"When we left Bradenton," said Haney, "it seemed highly unlikely that the game would be played. Because of that and the necessity of Aaron and the others finding colored cabs for transportation and a different place to dress, I decided to leave them home."

AARON SHOWS WAY IN 6-TO-5 TRIUMPH

Drives in 4 Runs for Braves as Spahn Wins His 21st —Redlegs Get 5 in 7th

CINCINNATI, Sept. 21 (UP) —Hank Aaron, whose homer clinched the 1957 pennant, led the Milwaukee Braves to their second straight National League championship today when he drove in four runs in a 6—5 victory over the Cincinnati Redlegs.

Warren Spahn, the Braves' 37-year-old pitching ace, received credit for his twenty-first victory although he was batted out when the Redlegs rallied for five runs in the seventh. Don McMahon shut out the Redlegs for the last two innings.

The victory mathematically eliminated the Pittsburgh Pirates, who were rained out in Philadelphia.

Aaron blasted a two-run double in the fifth and scored on Roy McMillan's wild relay. The Braves opened a 4—0 lead in that inning. In the seventh, Aaron hit a two-run homer, his thirtieth of the season.

Mob Around McMahon

McMahon was mobbed by his team-mates after the final out, touching off a celebration that had been planned since Friday. On that day the owner, Lou Perini, and other club officials joined the team to be in on the clincher.

The Redleg starter, Brooks Lawrence, was in constant trouble, but Wes Covington popped out with two on in the first and rolled out with the bases filled in the third to cut off two rallies.

The Braves caught up to Lawrence in the fifth. Spahn opened with a double. Singles by Bill Bruton and Red Schoendienst tallied Spahn.

Ed Mathews bounced into a force-out but Aaron doubled. When McMillan's relay sailed over the head of the catcher, Dutch Dotterer, Aaron scored.

Aaron's homer in the seventh followed a single by Schoendienst.

Redlegs Rout Spahn

Spahn held the Redlegs to one hit for six innings but they rallied for five runs in the seventh. Frank Robinson started the outburst with his thirty-first homer. Then Johnny Logan let an infield roller by Walt Dropo go through his legs for an error.

Gus Bell's double, Smokey Burgess' pinch single and Jim Fridley's brought on McMahon. He yielded a pinch single to Don Newcombe but retired the side.

The victory was the 245th of Spahn's career, the fifth highest total for a left-handed pitcher.

The Braves are the first National League team outside of the Dodgers to win two straight pennantas since the St. Louis Cardinals won three in a row in 1942-43-44. Their pennant clincher came two days earlier than last year, when they wrapped it up on Sept. 23.

MILWAUKEE (N.)	ab.	r.	h.	rbi.
Bruton, cf	5	1	2	0
Sch'dienst, 2b	5	1	3	1
Mathews, 3b	4	1	0	0
Aaron, rf	3	2	2	4
Covington, lf	4	0	0	0
Pafko, lf	0	0	0	0
Torre, 1b	4	0	0	0
Crandall, c	4	0	1	0
Logan, ss	4	0	0	0
Spahn, p	5	1	2	0
McMahon, p	1	0	0	0
Total	39	6	10	5

CINCINNATI (N.)	ab.	r.	h.	rbi.
Grammas, 2b	2	0	1	0
eNewcombe	1	0	1	0
fHenrich, ss	0	0	0	0
iBailey	1	0	0	0
Lynch, rf	3	0	0	1
Whisenant, lf	3	0	0	0
gCrowe	1	0	0	0
Pena, p	0	0	0	0
Robinson, 3b	4	1	1	1
Dotterer, c	4	0	1	0
Dropo, 1b	4	1	0	0
Bell, cf	4	1	1	0
McMillan, ss	2	0	0	0
bBurgess	1	0	1	2
cMiksis, 2b	0	1	0	0
hFondy	1	0	0	0
Lawrence, p	1	0	0	0
aThurman	1	0	0	0
Acker, p	0	0	0	0
dFridley, lf	2	1	1	1
Total	35	5	7	5

aStruck out for Lawrence in 5th; bSingled for McMillan in 7th; cRan for Burgess in 7th; dDoubled for Acker in 7th; eSingled for Grammas in 7th; fRan for Newcombe in 7th; gFouled out for Whisenant in 7th; hGrounded out for Miksis in 9th; iFlied out for Henrich in 9th.

Milwaukee	0	0	0	0	4	0	2	0	0	—6
Cincinnati	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	—5

E—McMillan, Logan. A—Milwaukee 7, Cincinnati 6. DP—Grammas. McMillan. LOB—Milwaukee 6, Cincinnati 5.

2B Hits—Spahn, Aaron, Crandall, Bell, Fridley. HR—Aaron, Robinson.

	IP.	H.	R.	ER.	BB.	SO.
Spahn (W, 21—11)	6⅓	5	5	3	2	2
McMahon	2⅔	2	0	0	0	0
Lawrence (L, 8—13)	5	7	4	3	2	2
Acker	2	3	2	2	0	1
Pena	2	0	0	0	0	3

Umpires — Dascoli, Donatelli, Crawford, Smith. Time—2:46. Attendance—27,213.

Major League Leaders

By The Associated Press.

BATTERS

(Based on 380 or more times at bat.)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	G.	AB.	R.	H.	PC.
Runnels, Boston	141	541	94	175	.323
Kuenn, Detroit	133	536	70	171	.319
Williams, Boston	124	392	73	123	.314
Cerv, Kansas City	136	497	93	155	.312
Boyd, Baltimore	119	385	57	120	.312
Power, Cleveland	140	570	96	177	.311
Kaline, Detroit	141	525	83	163	.310
Goodman, Chicago	112	409	41	125	.306
Minoso, Cleveland	144	539	89	163	.302
Mantle, New York	145	500	122	150	.300
Siebern, New York	129	443	76	133	.300

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	G.	AB.	R.	H.	PC.
Mays, San Francisco	147	579	115	198	.342
Ashburn, Phila.	146	588	89	199	.338
Musial, St. Louis	130	451	62	151	.335
Aaron, Milwaukee	149	588	109	196	.333
Skinner, Pittsburgh	139	506	89	164	.324
Banks, Chicago	149	596	117	190	.319
Cepeda, San Fran.	143	582	84	184	.361
Lynch, Cincinnati	119	408	57	127	.311
Temple, Cincinnati	141	542	82	166	.306
Boyer, St. Louis	145	550	95	167	.304
Walls, Chicago	136	513	80	156	.304

RUNS BATTED IN

American League		National League	
Jensen, Boston	118	Banks, Chicago	127
Colavito, Clev.	106	Thomas, Pitts.	109
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HOME RUN HITTERS

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Cerv, K. City	38	Robinson, Cin.	31
Sievers, Wash.	38	Mathews, Milw.	30
Jensen, Boston	34	Aaron, Milwaukee	30

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By ARTHUR DALEY

Slightly Behind Schedule

IT was apparent even before spring training that the Milwaukee Braves were far and away the best team in the National League. The logical assumption was that they would spread-eagle the field and clinch the pennant early, perhaps as early as the Yankees in the other league. The target date for both was in the neighborhood of Labor Day, a rather exclusive neighborhood for pennant clinchers.

The Yankees, floundering inexplicably from the midway point on, settled the issue two weeks behind the original optimistic schedule. The Braves, doing their floundering in the first half of the season, required one week more than their world series partners. However, there is considerable justification for the laggardliness of Manager Fred Haney's heroes.

The injury jinx, which the chieftain of the Braves had so adroitly avoided the year before, hung persistently around his neck. Wes Covington, his power hitter, smashed a knee

just before the campaign began and Joey Jay, a slick young pitcher, splintered a finger the other day and is out of the series. In between those major mishaps were misadventures to almost every other member of the cast.

Copyright Infringement

So Haney was forced to infringe on Casey Stengel's copyright and juggle his manpower like crazy, using infielders as outfielders while waiting for the halt and the lame to return to action. Complicating the problem were the defections of two reliables, Henry Aaron and Lew Burdette.

The swishing bat of Aaron was strangely silent in those early months as he hovered near .270. Then that familiar crackling sound was heard again and Henry is now among the leaders where he belongs. The entire business defies explanation.

Much easier to explain is Burdette. The hero of the last world series was feted so much during the winter that he almost became musclebound from taking bows. That didn't help his pitching any. So Lew lumbered along unimpressively until he had a record of eleven won and nine lost as of approximately a month ago. Then Burdette began to bear down in earnest.

On the Upbeat

There hasn't been a better pitcher in baseball over the last five weeks. He won eight of the nine games he worked and is on the threshold of the first twenty-game season of his career. Over that blazing stretch Lew's earned-run average has been a ridiculously low 1.06. If ever a man will go winging into the world series, that man will be Selva Lewis Burdette Jr.

Confronting him in the classic, which begins in Milwaukee a week from today, is one of the most glorious records in the almanac. Burdette enters this series with a string of twenty-four scoreless innings. The record is twenty-nine and two-thirds scoreless innings by a fellow whose genius as a pitcher almost has been forgotten, Babe Ruth. Before he concentrated on becoming a matchless home-run hitter for the Yankees, the Babe had been a superlative pitcher for the Red Sox, fashioning his shutout string in the 1916 and 1918 world series.

Aaron's emergence as a contender for the batting championship is startling, especially since he had had such a miserable time of it in the early going. But Hank still has considerable distance to go. He's playing against a couple of hot hands.

Willie the Wonder Mays had faded after an early .400 splurge, a fancy height he once shared with Stan Musial. But Willie is a streak hitter and he suddenly has hauled himself back with—as of yesterday—eight hits in his last thirteen times at bat.

Big Haul

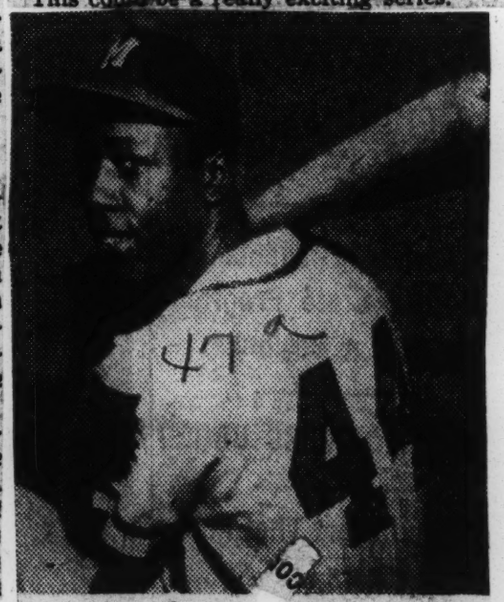
Richie Ashburn always has been much more of a steady operative at the plate, consistent but rarely brilliant. He is a line-drive hitter, gets a lot of leg hits. But his speed has diminished, now that he's 31 years of age. In compensation for this the blond from Philadelphia has become an artist with the willow.

No sooner had the 'Mazing Mays passed him on Sunday than the slumping Ashburn—he'd gone hitless in the three games in which Willie caught fire—did a little incendiary work himself. He lashed out six hits Monday to regain the lead. Now it's a battle to the wire, with Musial and Aaron classified as outsiders in the race down the homestretch.

From the Milwaukee standpoint the reentry of Aaron as a top hitter has come at the most opportune time. He will be the big gun for the October festivities along with the gimpy-legged Covington—Stengel refers to him as "that one-legged feller"—and the always dangerous Eddie Mathews.

The Braves seem stronger on the whole than they were last year even though the injured Red Schoendienst at second and the hale Johnny Logan at short have been subpar. Haney has his platoons working well and his pitching is solid, so solid that even Jay will not be missed.

This could be a really exciting series.



Henry Aaron
He is finishing with a rush

NL's Musial Leads in Thriller

Ashburn, Aaron, Mays on Heels; Kuenn Is Top Man in AL

NEW YORK, Sept. 2 (AP) — Stan Musial, Richie Ashburn, Hank Aaron and Willie Mays, the players almost everyone figured would be in the thick of the competition for the National League batting title, are waging one of the most interesting battles in the history of the circuit.

Harvey Kuenn, Pete Runnels, Vic Power and Bob Cerv, the players almost no one figured on are doing the same thing in the American League.

Aaron and Mays Gain

A week ago, Musial, the seven-time champion, led Ashburn by five points, Aaron by 19 and Mays by 21. Since then, however, Musial has dropped eight points and Ashburn four while Aaron and Mays have put the heat on the leaders with outstanding offensive performances.

Aaron and Mays each collected 15 hits in 32 times at bat last week and boosted their averages nine points.

This left the records of the contenders through yesterday's Labor Day games: Musial .339, Ashburn .338, Aaron .337 and Mays .335. The Cards' Musial won the crown last year. Milwaukee's Aaron captured it in 1956, Philadelphia's Ashburn in 1955 and San Francisco's Mays in 1954.

Kuenn of Detroit took over the American League lead yesterday while sitting out the twin-bill with Kansas City because of an arm injury. Harvey is batting .325 while Runnels, who went hitless in 10 trips against New York, slumped to second place at .321.

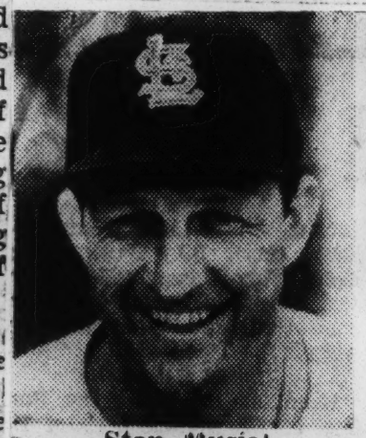
None of 4 Has Ever Won

Power of Cleveland moved into third place with a .320 mark followed by Kansas City's Cerv at .319. None among the top four ever has won a major league batting title and only Kuenn has a lifetime average of better than .300.

Boston's Ted Williams is in fifth place with .315. But the 40-year-old slugger is sidelined with a cold and is not expected to return to the lineup before this weekend.

Ernie Banks of Chicago has just about wrapped up the National League home run title. He hit only one last week, boosting his total to 42. But he leads runnerup Frank Thomas of Pittsburgh by eight.

Rocky Colavito of Cleveland slammed three homers and tied Washington's Roy Sievers for second place in the American League. Each has 34, three less than Mickey Mantle of the Yankees.



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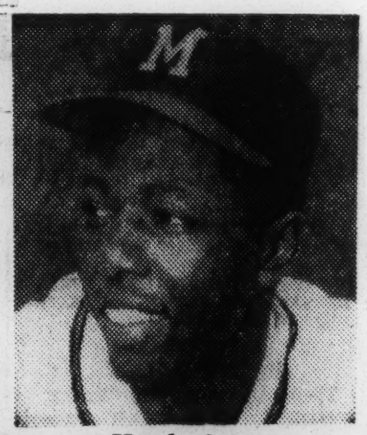

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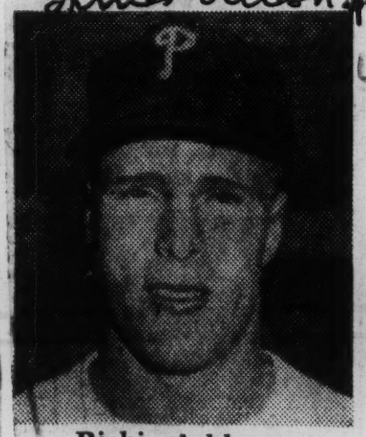

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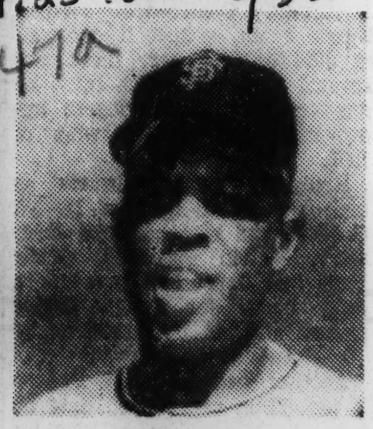

Willie Mays

Having Greatest Year

Banks in Line for Homer and RBI Titles in N. L.

CHICAGO—Ernie Banks, the fearsome bomber of the Chicago Cubs, has already hit more home runs in a season than any other shortstop in the history of the game, but this season the willowy clouter may even exceed all of his previous accomplishments.

As of Sunday, the 27-year power belter was the best man in all of baseball in homer production. After connecting for homer number 32 against the St. Louis Cardinals on Saturday, Ernie stood alone as the leading homer hitter in the game.

This, of course, could be altered at any given time. However, the important fact is that Ernie, if he continues hitting at his current clip will undoubtedly lead the National League in homers and, at the same time, record his best season of record since coming into the loop in 1953.

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ERNIE'S BEST previous year was in 1955 when he set an all-time homer record for shortstops with 44. That was also his best year in RBI's production. He had 117. He also chipped in with a .295 batting mark.

All of these marks could very easily be toppled this season. As of Sunday, Ernie had driven 92 runs across the plate to lead the league in that department and was batting .305, ninth in the loop.

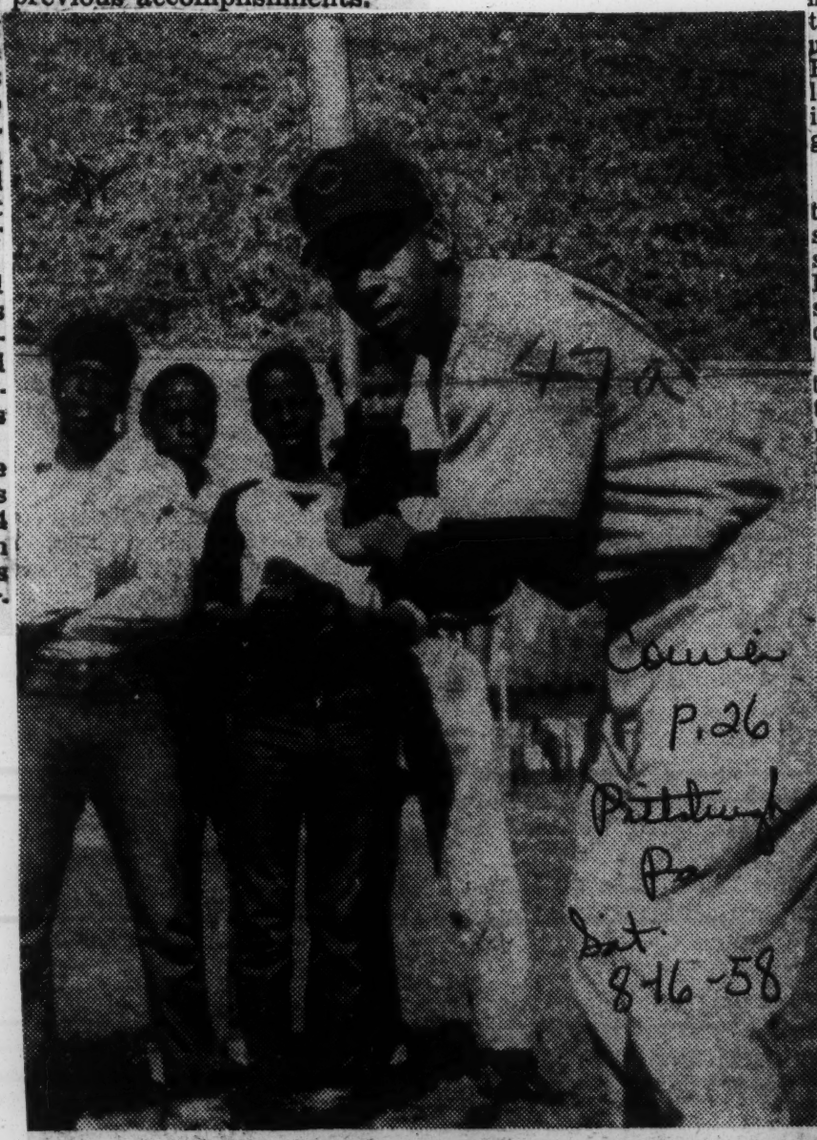
Banks, who has hit 22 of his first 32 homers at home in Wrigley Field, is anxious to grab off the homer and RBI titles.

"To me these are the two most important batting titles in baseball. I think winning those two crowns in one season would provide me with about the biggest thrill I've had since becoming a ball player."

OPTIMISM ISN'T running rampant with Banks yet. "There is a long way to go before this season is over and I must keep hitting with consistency if I expect to grab the crowns. With guys like Frank Thomas and Henry Aaron around you can't afford to take anything for granted."

In the past however, the crucial month of September has always been good for Ernie. Last season, when he hit 43 homers and trailed only Aaron in homer output, Banks had 13 round trippers in September.

If he does as well this time around he'll not only break his own individual mark of 44 homers, but will probably join the select circle of major leaguers who have hit 50 or more four-sackers in a single season.



ERNIE BANKS

. . . kids love the long ball, too

By SAM LACY

Pittsburgh Courier P. 26

SETS SIGHTS ON RECORDS:

Banks Hot Hitter

Baltimore Afro-American 8-23-58

CHICAGO (ANP) — Before the 1958 major league baseball season opened, Ernie Banks had hit 136 home runs in four full seasons — and 10 games — in the National League.

The slender power hitter for the Chicago Cubs has a good chance of reaching the 180 homer mark before the end of this season. With 26 homers under his belt after 89 games, Banks could exceed his major league high of 44 which he hit in his second full season in organized baseball.

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THE 44 HOMERS were more than any major league shortstop had hit and came in the same season (1955) in which Banks smashed five grand-slam home runs, another record.

If it were not for the fact that Ernie occasionally goes into a homer-hitting slump, he might challenge the long-standing record of 60 home runs by Babe Ruth.

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DOES BANKS think he ever will be able to beat one of baseball's most spectaculer records?

"No, I really don't think about setting a home run mark; certainly not about breaking Babe Ruth's record."

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ERNIE IS hoping to accomplish this season what he has yet failed to do in the majors—win the home run title in the National League and probably the runs batted in championship.

His 27th home run Friday brought him into a tie with Frank Thomas of Pittsburgh for the NL lead. It was also the 73rd run he had driven in this season, tying him also with Thomas for the lead in RBIs.

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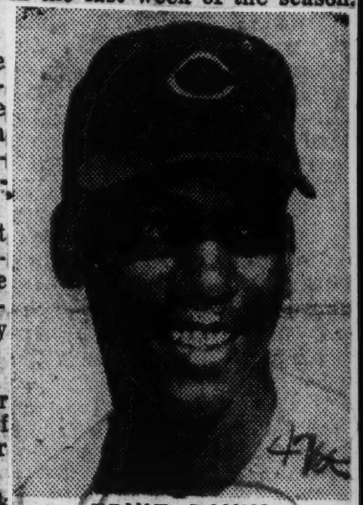
IN 1957, Banks gave Hank Aaron, of the Milwaukee Braves, a run for the home run title. Aaron was one up on him at the end of the season.

The Braves' outfielder and NL's most valuable player last year can thank his lucky stars that Banks swung a featherweight bat most of first half in the 1957 campaign.

Ernie, with 13 home runs in September, actually overtook Aaron, but Hank beat him out in the last week of the season.



ERNIE BANKS

DANGEROUS OFFENSIVE WEAPONS FOR CUBS

Ernie Banks (right) has been getting help as the Cubs' power hitter. Another Wrigley performer who has been supplying home run drives is Lee Walls (left) who compares his bat grip with the slugging Chicago shortstop. Both will try to increase their home run totals against the Los Angeles Dodgers today in Wrigley field.

TOPS NATIONAL LEAGUE VOTING

Ernie Banks Named MVP

BOSTON, Nov. 25 (AP)—Ernie Banks, the Chicago Cubs' home-run hitting shortstop, today was named the National League's most valuable player of 1958 by an overwhelming margin.

The 27-year-old slugger, who set a major league record for shortstops by crashing 47 homers in his fifth full season with the Cubs, polled 16 of the 24 first place votes cast by members of the Baseball Writers' Assn. of America in the eight National League cities.

Named on every ballot, Banks piled up 283 points, the highest total since Willie Mays won the MVP in 1954.

Mays Runnerup

Mays, the San Francisco Giants' fleet centerfielder, was runnerup in this year's voting. He drew 185 points and was the only other player listed on every ballot.

Hank Aaron of the pennant-winning Milwaukee Braves was third with 166 points, followed by Frank Thomas of the Pittsburgh Pirates with 143 and southpaw ace Warren Spahn of the Braves with 108.

Stan Musial, the St. Louis Cardinals' three-time MVP winner, finished far down the list in 12th place with a mere 39 points. His best votes were two sixths in the balloting which gave 14 points for a first, nine for second and down the line to one for 10th.

2nd Shortstop to Win

Banks joins Marty Marion, former St. Louis great, as the only shortstop to capture the coveted award since the baseball writers took over the voting in 1931. Marion won in the war year of 1944 despite a .267 batting average.

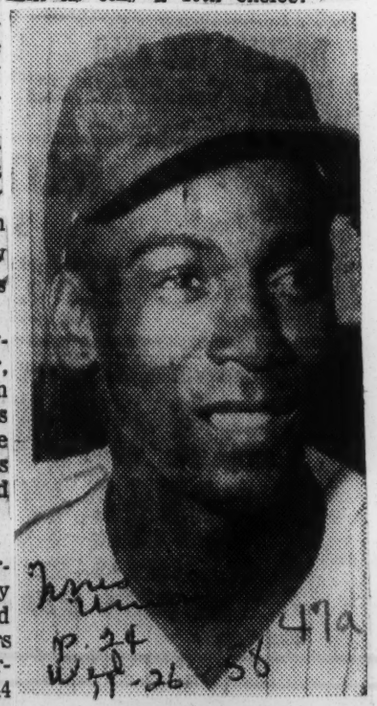
In addition, Banks is only the second member of a second division club to become the league's MVP. The Cubs finished in a tie with the Cards for fifth last season. Hank Sauer won the award in 1952 as a member of the fifth-place Cubs.

Banks, a slender 6-foot, 180-pounder from Dallas, Tex., also led the league in runs batted in with 129, a record for shortstops in his circuit. He batted .313 while playing in all 154 games.

"Tickled to Death"

"I'm tickled to death," Banks said when advised of the award by telephone by BBWAA Secretary-Treasurer Hy Hurwitz. "Oohh, that's really something. I figured I'd have to do a whole lot to win the MVP and I didn't think I did enough, although this was my best year."

Mays had another tremendous year for the Giants despite the new surroundings in San Francisco. He hit .347, belted 29 homers and drove in 96 runs. However, he received only three first place votes. One voter listed him as only a 10th choice.



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ERNIE BANKS

Ernie Banks Named Nat'l League's 1958 Top Player

New York Times

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New York Herald Tribune

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Ernie Banks 6th straight MVP

Tansters, 1-2-3 in voting, won every year since '53

BOSTON, Mass. — Chicago Cubs shortstop Ernie Banks on Tuesday was named the National League's most valuable player of 1958.

Banks thus became the sixth colored winner of the award in succession.

Following Ernie in the voting by the Baseball Writers Association's special committee, were Willie Mays of the San Francisco Giants, and Hank Aaron of the Milwaukee Braves.

Baltimore

ASIDE FROM taking down first, second and third places in the 1958 balloting, tan stars have dominated the selections every year since 1953.

Roy Campanella of the Dodgers, was the winner that year. Mays was picked in 1954, Campanella again in 1955, Don Newcombe of the Dodgers in 1956, and Aaron last year(1957).

Colored names have occupied the coveted niche in the senior circuit in eight of the 12 years since 1947, their first season in major league baseball.

Jackie Robinson was the 1949 winner, with Campanella gaining his first of three in 1951.

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BANKS AND MAYS were picked on all 22 ballots of the committee. Aaron was named on all but one. Ernie had a total of 283 points on the 14-9-8, 7, 6, 5, 3, 2, 1 system of voting meaning 14 for a first place pick, nine for second, eight for third, etc.

Willie polled 188 points and Hank Aaron 166.

Banks' total was the highest given to an MVP winner in the league since Mays tallied an identical number in 1954.

THE SLENDER, 6-foot, 180 pound former Kansas City Monarchs shortstop hails from Dallas, Texas. He now makes his home in Chicago, where he and his wife have just taken over a new apartment.

Ernie batted .313 for the season, set an all-time high for homers by a shortstop with 47, and led the league in runs batted in with 129.

He is only the second member of a second division team ever to win the honor, as well as the second shortstop in history to cop the award.

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HANK SAUER, who was the last white player to gain the MVP distinction, was a member of the Cubs when he won it in 1952. The team finished fifth that year and tied for fifth this past season.

Prior to Ernie, the only other shortstop voted the honor was Marty Marion of the 1944 St. Louis Cardinals —LACY.

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By ARTHUR DALEY

The Fadeout

THE most intriguing aspect of the voting for the most valuable player in the National League was not the landslide victory of Ernie Banks with 283 points. The Cub shortstop was the logical choice even though logic hasn't always governed these elections. The more fascinating part of the tabulation was at the bottom.

Junior Gilliam of the Dodgers received one eighth-place vote and one tenth-place vote for 4 points. Carl Furillo got one tenth-place vote for 1 point. They were the only members of the Ebbets Field expatriates to even rate mention. The Beloved Bums of Brooklyn have become the lower-case bums of Los Angeles.

It was only a couple of years ago that Don Newcombe of the Brooks barely edged a team-mate, Sal Maglie, for first place, with three other Dodgers in the first ten and eight Dodgers figuring in the voting. The season earlier Roy Campanella of the Brooks won by a whisker from Duke Snider, with a slew of other Brooklynites piled up in back of them. Dodgers have won five of the last ten M. V. P. awards.

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More Than Coincidence

Walter O'Malley, the president of the Dodgers, likes to think of himself as the smartest man in baseball. It's quite possible that his estimate is correct, especially since Branch Rickey is now inactive. O'Malley may have no use for Rickey but it is the Mahatma who has kept him in business all these years.

It can't be just coincidence that has produced sequences such as this through the years:

Rickey took charge of the ragtag, impoverished St. Louis Cardinals and built them into a front-rank power. When the Mahatma shifted to Broooklyn in 1942, he left such a stockpile of talented ballplayers that St. Louis was in constant contention for the next eight years. Then the momentum began to run down.

The Deacon of the Dodgers left the same momentum in Flatbush after being forced out by O'Malley at the end of 1950. But this one lasted only six years.

As the Dodgers slid downhill, the Pirates shot past them on the way up. Rickey had considerable to do with reorganizing the Pittsburgh set-up although he was eased into virtual retiremement before the Buccaneers started making threatening gestures. The Mahatma should now bask in contentment.

Out of the Red

This remarkable man was almost 70 when he took over the Pirates. That's when he delivered an extraordinary statement to Arthur Mann, his biographer:

"It would be highly embarrassing if I didn't last long enough to achieve my objective."

"Embarrassing to whom?" asked the more practical Mann.

No longer burdened by Rickey's extravagances, the Dodgers made money. They made so much that they wanted more and O'Malley moved to Los Angeles, a financial but not an artistic coup. The ex-Brooks finished in seventh place and it took considerable scratching to find any individual player to rate even token mention on an M. V. P. ballot.

But five Pirates made the list—Frank Thomas, Bob Friend, Bill Mazeroski, Bob Skinner and Elroy Face—as well as the last of Rickey's bequests to St. Louis, Stan Musial. Even the Giants did better and the Giants haven't had a genius handling their affairs since John McGraw retired. The refugees from the Polo Grounds placed Willie Mays second to Banks and Orlando Cepeda, the rookie of the year, a solid ninth.

The triumph of Banks was impressive on many counts. Not only did he beat out two far more renowned operatives in Mays and in Henry Aaron, both former winners, but he was playing on a second-division club.

Mysterious Power

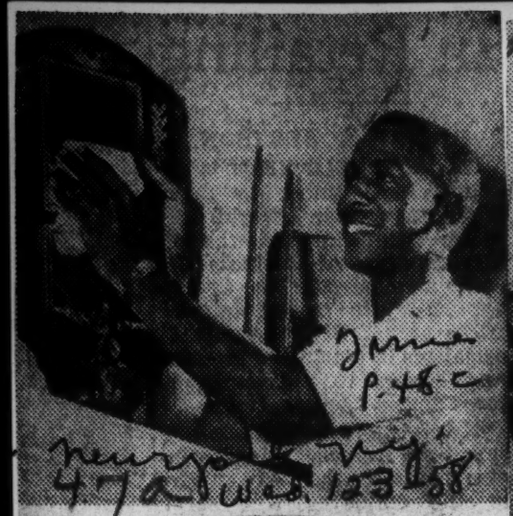
Few big leaguers are as deceptive in appearance as the Cub shortstop. When he steps to the plate, he looke like a harmless, fragile boy who would be lucky to knock the ball out of the infield. Yet he led the majors in homers with an astonishing forty-seven. Where does the power come from?

First of all, Ernie is not quite as unprepossessing as he appears. He stands 6 feet 1 and weighs 175. Like Aaron, he's a wrist hitter. But he became a distance slugger almost by accident. A few years ago this reporter asked him about it.

"I was using a thirty-four-ounce bat," he said in his shy fashion, "and I couldn't get it around fast enough. The pitchers were stopping me on outside pitches. Then one day I picked up Monte Irvin's bat and hefted it. 'Hmm,' I said to myself, 'this feels good.'"

It was a thirty-one-ounce weapon with a thin handle and Banks could use it like a buggy whip. His home run production sho up from nineteen in 1954 to forty-four 1955 and he's been with the leaders since.

Banks richly deserved the honors ac ed him and all Brooklyn mourns the tile flounderings of O'Malley's heroes. Oh, eah?



Ernie Banks

He dominated the voting

Ernie Banks, MVP

The selection of Ernie Banks as the National League's "most valuable player" of 1958, proves once more that organized baseball owes a debt of gratitude to Branch Rickey.

The former president and general manager of the old Brooklyn Dodgers has long been looked upon as a great friend of the colored race because of his introduction of the tan player to the major leagues. That happened in 1947 when Rickey placed Jackie Robinson in the Dodger lineup.

But time has proved that Rickey not only befriended the colored athlete, he filled the role of baseball's benefactor as well.

When Banks was chosen as the top player last week, it marked the sixth straight year that the National League has had a colored MVP winner. It also marked the eighth time in the 12 years since the Rickey - Robinson innovation that the Baseball Writers Association has tabbed a tan athlete as best in the league.

Since 1953, the NL's outstanding individual performers have been Roy Campanella, Willie Mays, Campanella again in 1955, Don Newcombe, Hank Aaron and Banks.

Before the string of six consecutive years, Robinson won the pick in 1949, Campanella his first of three in 1951.

BIG HUG COMING UP—Ernie Banks of the Chicago Cubs is about to get a hug from his wife, Louise, in their Chicago home after being named "Most Valuable Player" in the National League for 1958. Banks, the game's greatest home-run hitting shortstop, won the annual MVP award with a landslide of votes by baseball writers.

Biggest Brave

Hit NOT Bruton's Greatest Thrill

By The Associated Press

Milwaukee, Oct. 1.—It has been a long time between thrills for the Milwaukee Braves' Billy Bruton.

"Sure," he said in a quiet voice, "that hit today was a big thrill to me, but it wasn't the biggest."

Amid the confusion that was in the Braves' dressing room after Bruton's hit in the 10th sank the New York Yankees, 4 to 3, it was difficult to hear him.

"The first homer I ever hit here in County Stadium, the one that won the 1953 opening game in the 10th, was a bigger thrill," he said.

The changing tides of fortune that kept him out of the World Series a year ago with a badly wrenched knee also swept him into action Wednesday afternoon.

Manager Fred Haney said Bruton, a left-handed batter, probably never would have played if right-hander Ryne Duren had not appeared in relief for the Yankees.

"I just played percentages," said Haney.

Bruton said he hit one of Duren's letter-high fast balls for the big blow.

Warren Spahn, 37-year-old southpaw who won 22 games during the regular season, said he threw "a lot of fast balls."

Asked if any of the Yankees gave him particular trouble, Spahn replied: "They all did."

'I knew A Little More'

He said Hank Bauer hit a screwball for his homer and Moose Skowron connected with a "good pitch, a change-up" for his circuit smash.

"No," he replied, "I don't think they were any different from last year. The only thing is I knew a little more about them because I faced them before."

Haney said, "Hell, no" when someone suggested that the Braves' now would go on to win the Series easily.

"You can't win 'em all unless you win the first one, though," he said.

"It almost sounds like I'm getting a little chesty," the Milwaukee manager laughingly told locker-room visitor Leo Durocher.

Lavishly Praises Spahn

Haney was lavish in his praise of Spahn and also dwelt on the 10th-inning game-winning single delivered by Bruton, whom he inserted as a pinch-hitter for Andy Pafko an inning earlier.

"I put Bruton in to hit for Pafko in the ninth simply because it was the right play to make," Haney said, showing slight irritation at a writer's question.

Before another home audience Thursday, they'll try to make it two in a row with rangy Lew Burdette—the man who won three games for them the last time around and showed he was ready by winning 20 during the regular season.

For the Yankees it will be "Bullet Bob" Turley, top winner in the American League with a record of 21 and 7.

But after the way they had manhandled the flame-throwing Duren, the Braves yipped en masse:

"Bring him on. We're ready."

Casey Stengel paid full homage to Spahn.

"There just wasn't much we could do with him," said Stengel. "The first part of the game we had our chances to get at him but we couldn't do it. He pitched better the last part of the game. He pitched a real good game."

Dressing Room Quiet

The Yankee dressing room, barred for an unusually long time to newspapermen, was subdued and quiet. There was some joking, but it was highly restrained.

Hank Bauer was the center of considerable attention.

"That ball that Hank Aaron hit in the eighth for a double, I never touched it. It went under my glove and hit the fence," said Bauer.

This mighty blast advanced Eddie Mathews to third, from where he scored to tie up the game 3 to 3 on Wes Covington's sacrifice fly.

"I thought it was going for a homer," said Bauer.

Bauer had an ugly skinned patch below his left knee. He got it sliding into second base in the first inning on a play in which he was picked off by a wide margin.

"Signals got mixed?" he was asked.

"Nope, I just got caught running," he grinned.

Whitey Ford, the little Yankee lefty who was lifted from the game in the ninth, said afterward that he never felt hurt.

Explains Mystery

Yogi Berra explained one of the mysteries of the game, in the fourth inning after Aaron had been walked.

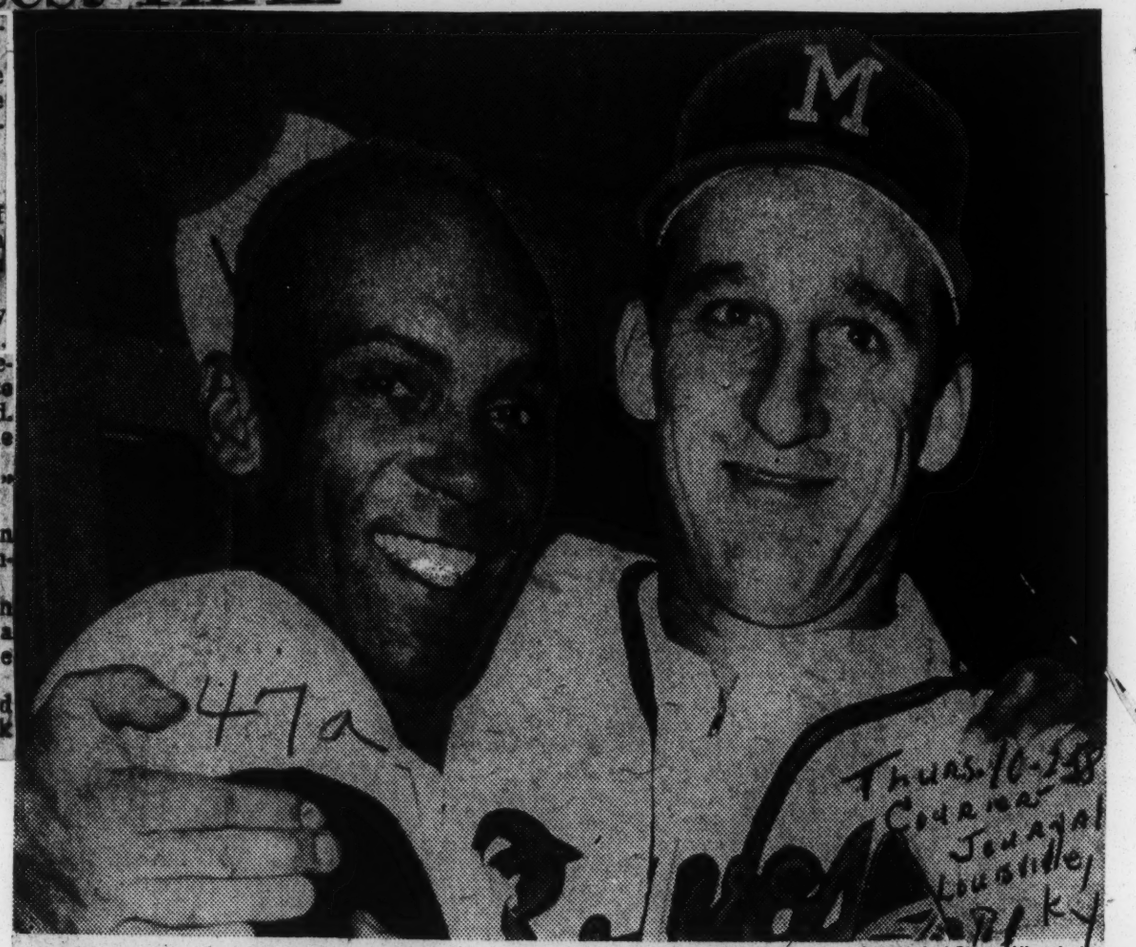
One of Ford's pitches got away from Berra for a passed ball, and the Yankee catcher remained squatting at the plate while Aaron raced to second. When he finally retrieved the ball it was too late.

"Did you lose that ball?" Berra was asked.

"Nope. I thought I had it in my glove," he grinned sheepishly.

Stengel was more quiet than usual, speaking barely above a whisper to the little circle around him.

"We're still around," he said with a smile. "We'll be back tomorrow."



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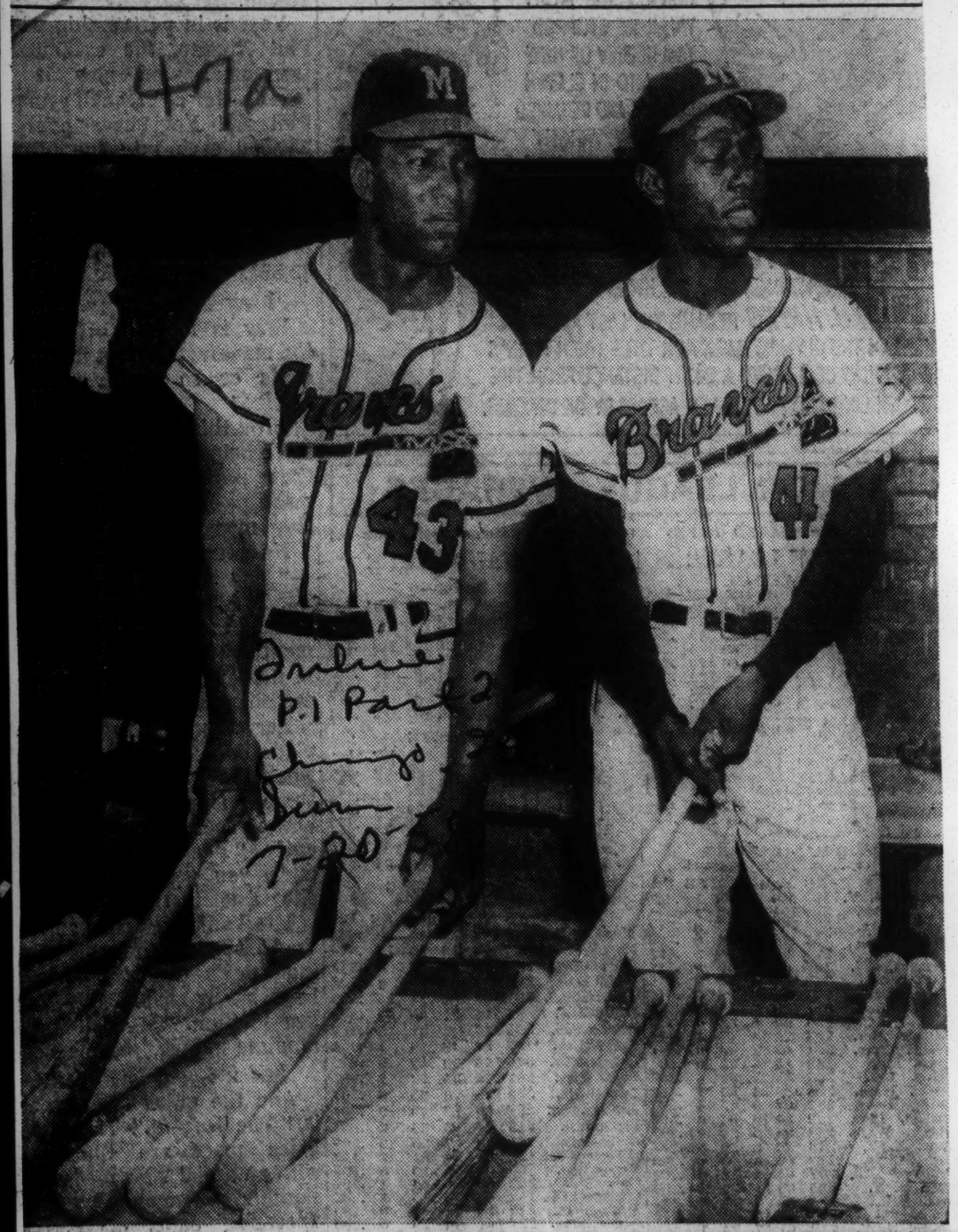
JUBILANT YANK BEATERS . . . Billy Bruton, left, and pitcher Warren Spahn happily embrace in the clubhouse after the Braves took the first game of the World Series from the Yankees, 4 to 3. Spahn pitched an eight-hitter and Bruton slashed a single in the 10th to win the game. Crown behind Bruton's head is a wall decoration.

TWO BRAVES LOOKING FOR MORE HITS



Wes Covington (left) and Hank Aaron are a couple of Braves who will be looking for more hits in Sunday's series final with the rising Cubs in Wrigley field. They had better solve Chicago pitching or there will be surprising alterations in National league standings.

Recommends Son of Doorkeeper

IKE BECOMES PIRATES' SCOUT

By HAROLD DAVIS
Journal Washington Correspondent

AUGUSTA, Ga., April 12—President Eisenhower beamed broadly Saturday at news that a young man he described as a "pretty darned good ball player" has been signed as a pitcher by the Pittsburgh Pirates.

The youngster is Preston Bruce Jr., 21, son of a White House doorkeeper.

Mr. Eisenhower's interest in baseball and baseball players dates from his own center-fielding days at West Point. He played what has been described as "pretty good ball" before he hurt his knee in football practice in his sophomore year.

Young Bruce, a Negro, is a science major in his last year at Lyndon Teachers College in Lyndon Center, Vermont. At Lyndon, Bruce pitched on the baseball team and journeyed with the team down to Washington last year to call on the President.

Associated Press Wirephoto

HERE'S IKE'S FIND FOR THE PIRATES
Rex Bowen, Buc Scout, With Preston Bruce

Since then, Mr. Eisenhower has been interested in his sporting career.

Last July 23, the President entertained Branch Rickey of the Pittsburgh Pirates and a group of other men at the White House. At the end of the evening, he introduced young Bruce's father to Mr. Rickey and told him he had a son who was interested in baseball. In his opinion, Mr. Eisenhower avered, the youngster was a "pretty darned good ball player."

That was the last the President heard of it until Saturday.

Then came an announcement from Pittsburgh that the Pirates have signed Bruce as a pitcher.

Press Secretary James C. Hagerty told the press in Augusta Saturday that former baseball player Eisenhower is very pleased at the news.

This is President Eisenhower's first experience as a baseball scout.

Associated Press Wirephoto
Preston Bruce

Home Plate an Elusive Target For President's Pitching Find

Bruce on Pirate Farm Nobody Knows Where His Throws Are Likely to Go

ROANOKE, Va., Aug. 20 (AP)—Unless a gangling, 21-year-old Pittsburgh Pirate farmhand soon locates home plate, President Eisenhower has little chance of winning acclaim as a baseball talent scout.

The President is credited with discovering Preston Bruce Jr., a right-handed pitcher who currently is trying to find control while assigned to the Pirates' all-rookie farm club at Salem, Va., in the Appalachian League.

Bruce, son of the doorman at the White House, established a pretty fair pitching record at Lyndon State Teachers College, Vt. The President happened to mention the fact to Branch Rickey Sr., who serves as an advisor both to Eisenhower (on racial affairs) and to the Pirates.

Rickey put a scout on Bruce's trail. The word was that the 6-foot 5-inch 180-pounder had both a fast ball and a curve of major league caliber. Pittsburgh invited him last winter to its minor league training camp at Jacksonville Beach, Fla., and signed him.

"I recall his first pitch at Jacksonville Beach," says Larry Dorton, who now manages Bruce at Salem. "It hit a free agent on the head."

Appalachian League hitters have plenty of respect for big Preston. Nobody digs in when he's on the mound. He's what you might call a "spray" pitcher. He's hit as many as four batters in a single inning.

One inning is just about his limit. In four of seven appearances to date, he's failed to get three men out.

In seven games—five starts, two relief hitches—Bruce's chart shows fourteen innings pitched, eleven hits, twenty-seven runs, nineteen earned runs, eleven wild pitches, six hit batsmen, nineteen strikeouts and forty bases on balls.

Bruce sees a ray of hope "if I could only win a game or two."

"But right now," he said, "I'll settle for just one good inning."

Walk or not Campy says he has job with Dodgers

NEW YORK — No matter what his condition may be as a result of his tragic automobile accident of last January, Roy Campanella says he is sure of a job with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The stricken Dodgers catcher, writing the second installment of his story in the current Saturday Evening Post, says his greatest ambition is to get back into the Dodgers' uniform.

He says President Walter O'Malley has told him that he will never have to worry about a job, that he has one with the Dodgers for the rest of his life.

"If you can walk, you'll be a full-time Dodger coach," he quotes O'Malley. "If you can't walk, you'll work for the organization in a front-office capacity. That's a promise I make to you."

Campanella still gets his salary check every two weeks. "Say what you will, Mr. O'Malley has been wonderful to me."

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CAMPANELLA THINKS the Dodgers are a good ball club but that its young players have not yet had a chance to develop.

In this installment of the article, the Dodgers' paralyzed catcher also tells what he believes is wrong with his old club and gives his opinions of various players and managers in big league baseball.

"I THINK the pitchers miss me," Campy avers. "From the oldest to the youngest, I've worked with them since the first day they joined the Dodgers. Roseboro and Pignatano are good young catchers, but they don't have my experience, and they haven't worked with these kids as much as I have."

As to what has been wrong with the club, Campanella asserts: "It just didn't have a chance to develop. It took some of the kids a long time to get the chance.

"Where could they have played with guys like Robinson, Snider, Reese, Furillo, Hodges and me in the regular line-up?"

Campy starts career in radio

NEW YORK (ANI) — "Campy's Corner," an new radio program, featuring Roy Campanella, former Brooklyn Dodgers catcher, in five minutes of sports and interviews at 6 p.m. over station WINS, began Monday.

In addition to airing his views on sports, particularly baseball, Campanella will work with sportscaster Chris Schenkel, in interviewing outstanding stars and celebrities on the show.

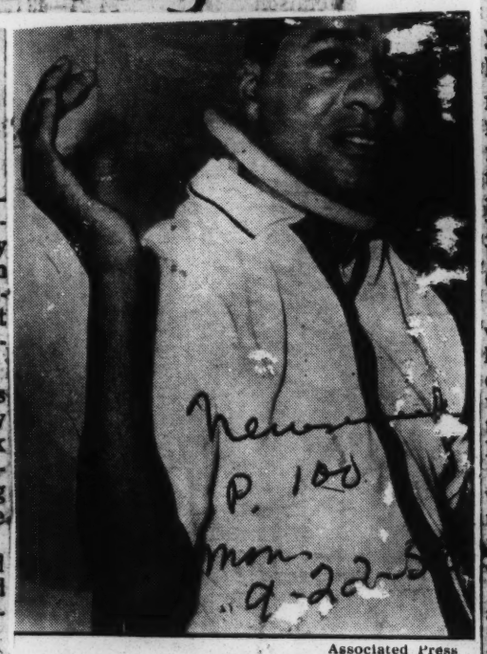
The program is sponsored jointly by P. Ballantine and and Sons and the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company.

Campy showing rapid progress

NEW YORK (ANP) — Roy Campanella last week was reported making "better than normal progress" toward recovery from the paralysis he suffered in an automobile accident last Jan. 28.

The former Los Angeles Dodgers catcher, paralyzed from the chest down, is undergoing therapeutic treatment at New York University's Bellevue Medical Center.

Campanella's mental outlook and determination to recover is said to be remarkable.



Associated Press

Campy: 'A great spiritual force'

Comeback

A "magnificent new medicine for paraplegics was described last week by Dr. Howard A. Rusk, director of the Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation in New York. It consisted, he said, simply of the spirit and example of Roy Campanella, onetime star catcher of the Brooklyn Dodgers, who has become "one of the great spiritual forces in rehabilitation programs . . . throughout the world."

Dr. Rusk's statement came after Campanella's first open press conference since he was paralyzed from the neck down by an auto accident nine months ago. Campanella's own report on himself was much more modest. Medically, he still had no assurance of recovery, but he is well enough to conduct his radio show. Also, said Campy, "I can feed myself now [with a special fitting for his hands] . . . With my neck brace I can read the papers and my Bible."

"I really believe," Dr. Rusk said, "that Campy's contribution to this life has been far greater since his accident . . . than anything he could possibly contribute to it through baseball."

Campanella Reports on Gains; Tells of Work and a Trip Home

By ROSCOE McGOWEN

Roy Campanella held his first open press conference yesterday and seemed to enjoy every minute of it. The Dodger catcher, paralyzed from the neck down in an automobile accident on Jan. 28, met reporters and photographers in a large room on the sixth floor of the Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation of New York University-Bellevue Medical Center.

The baseball player's smile was just as ready as when he hit a game-winning home run or when, on three occasions, he was told he had won the National League's Most Valuable Player award.

"I've been better this past week than at any time since that night in January," he said through a microphone suspended from the brace on his neck.

"I was at home with my wife and children last weekend and that's the best medicine I've had. I plan to go again if the docs let me."

Mr. Campanella, who was able, with assistance, to slide from his wheelchair into an automobile, was allowed to go to his Glen Cove, L. I., home Friday afternoon and to remain until Sunday afternoon.

Speaking of his evening radio show, "Campy's Corner," on WINS, Mr. Campanella said it "has done so much for me." He explained that most of the shows have been done in [illegible].

"You know," he said, grinning, "I can't move as well as I used to."

Progress Is Verified

But he feels he is making great progress and this was verified by his attending physician, Dr. Edward W. Lowman, and by Dr. Howard A. Rusk, director of the institute.

"He is an amazing man," Dr. Rusk said. "He is a great spiritual force, a very strong character. Campy's spirit has been a fine therapy for thirty-five other patients here who suffered the same type of injury."

Dr. Rusk said "we can't prognose as to time" on Mr. Campanella's percentage of recovery or lack of it—"not short of a year. "After a year," he explained, "well, then we probably have to admit that's it."

"I can use my arms good," Mr. Campanella said. "I can feed myself, and that's a big thing. You hate to have somebody feed you."

He described his daily "classes."

"I start 'em at 9 o'clock in the morning. That goes until 11:30, then lunch, then back to class at 1 o'clock. I lift twenty-pound weights on my arms, pull seventeen-pound sandbags up, then a therapist works on my arms, legs and entire body.

"I take oxygen for half an hour to help my breathing and talking. What leisure time I have I go back to bed."

He cannot grip eating utensils. A knife, fork or spoon is inserted in a device attached to his hand. He has another implement to hol dnewspapers and books.

Can Turn Pages

"I can turn the pages of a newspaper," he explained, "but I can't turn over the whole paper. I can handle books and my Bible easily. This new neck brace makes it possible for me to bend over enough to eat or read. That other one had my face pointed pretty much up in the air."

Mr. Campanella said Walter O'Malley, the owner of the Los Angeles Dodgers, had offered "a wonderful job when I'm able to take it."

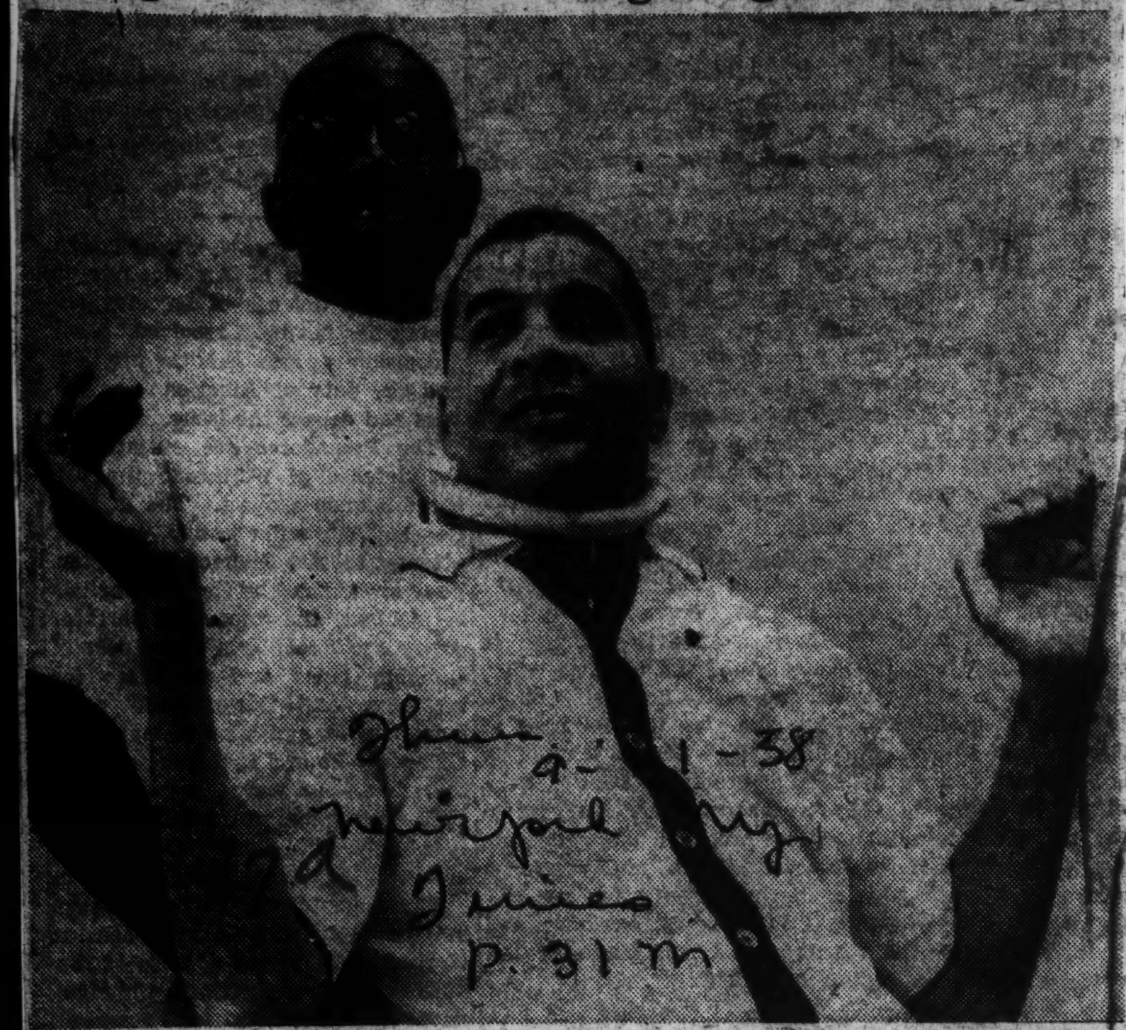
"But I could get no more recovery from any other hospital," he went on. "I doubt if any hospital could do for me what has been done here. So I must stay here for some time."

Mr. Campanella watches the Dodger games whenever they are televised.

"I think I pay more attention to individual players than I did when I was playing," he said.

"I observe 'em pretty closely, especially the little fellows. It's the little fellows that wear you out," he said, grinning, "like [Billy] Martin in that world series."

Dodger Catcher Tells of Fight Against Paralysis



The New York Times

Roy Campanella, at Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, shows how he [illegible] arms, wasted by effects of accident. With him is attendant, Roy Newsome.

$10,000 Trust Fund For Campanella Kids

NEW YORK, Oct. 2 (AP). — A $10,000 trust fund was given to injured baseball star Roy Campanella tonight for the education of his three youngest children.

The gift, made by a Boston underwriting firm, was presented to the long-time Brooklyn Dodger catcher on the "This Is Your Life" television program.

"This is wonderful," said Campanella. "It takes a great load off my mind about the kids' future."

Campanella was seriously hurt in an automobile accident this year and is partially paralyzed.

The gift, an investment in Boston Fund, a mutual fund, was given by Vance, Sanders & Co., of Boston, the fund's principal underwriter. Henry T. Vance, senior partner in the firm, said:

"We know that one of his (Campanella's) greatest concerns since his accident has been for the education of his three youngest children, and hope this trust will be of help."

Doctor Marvels

Campanella 'Great Inspirational Force'

By Oscar Fraley

NEW YORK, Sept. 11 (UPI)—It's very likely that you admired Roy Campanella as a major league catcher, just as I did.

A tremendously round man, he blocked the plate with the finesse and apparent feeling of a brick wall. He laughed, in his high-pitched way, at charley horses and broken bones alike.

You regarded him as one of the diamond's indestructibles—until an accident last winter short-circuited his nerves and mighty muscles and left him a man without motion.

Today his limbs still are locked in that prison of muscular futility, a paralytic of unpromising future whose arms move awkwardly as he feeds himself with therapy instruments and brushes over the pages of his well-thumbed Bible.

Those brawny arms which just a season ago whipped the ball around the infield with the speed of a bullet or lashed one of the most feared bats in the major leagues are pipestem thin. The palms, once horny and calloused, are bluish white and putty soft.

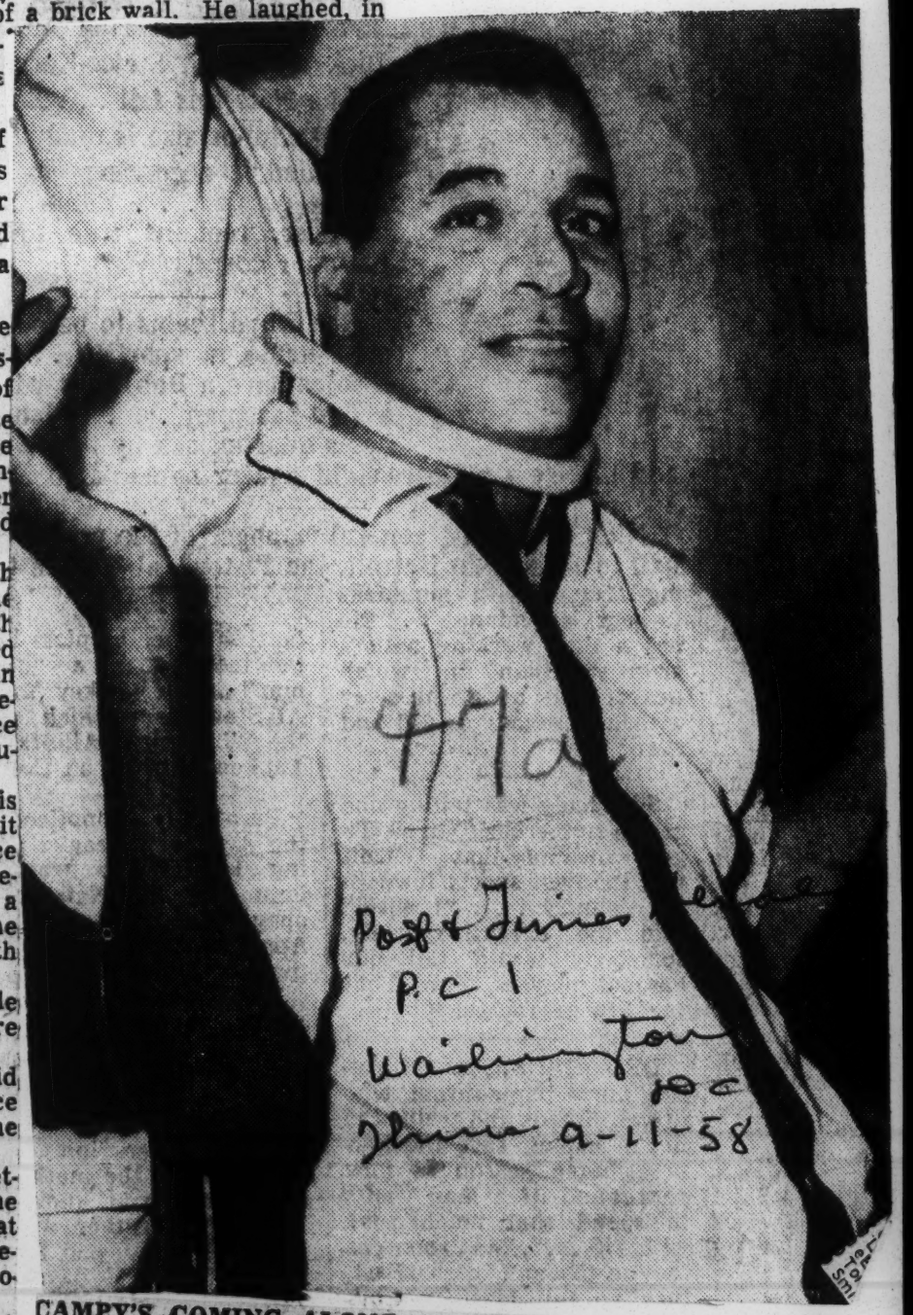
That barrel-like body is breath-takingly slender as it sits inertly under a neck brace which resembles an Elizabethan collar. And there is a round, babyish softness to the once weather-worn face with its steady brown eyes.

But that infectious smile and eternal optimism still are there.

"He's simply a marvel," said Campy's doctor in the voice of a man describing one of the wonders of the world.

"I know from the many letters we have received that he has become one of the great spiritual forces for the rehabilitation of disabled people all over the world.

"Campy will mean more," he paused, "to more people from now on than he ever did during his great baseball career. As a great inspirational factor to others he is simply magnificent."



CAMPY'S COMING ALONG—Roy Campanella, injured catcher for the Dodgers, has a smile as he holds his first full-scale press conference yesterday since a near-fatal automobile accident last January. Campy was paralyzed from the neck down as he suffered a broken neck. He has regained partial use of his arms.

Good Coaching Material

Will Baseball Keep Campy If Career Is Over?

Courier p24
Pittsburgh, Pa.

NEW YORK—As Roy Campanella, probably the best catcher in the history of baseball, continued to improve this week, speculation concerning his baseball future continues to mount.

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From the Los Angeles Dodgers' end of the ledger there was still hope that Campy might return to their line-up. While that possibility seems rather remote in 1958, Dodgers officials seem to feel that a player of Campanella's established calibre would be welcome back in 1959 if physically fit.

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ON THE other hand, if Roy is unable to resume his brilliant baseball career, the Dodgers appeared willing for him to return to the ball club as a coach.

Manager Walt Alston was the first to express his approval of Campanella serving in another capacity with the team other than a player.

"I have no objections to his being a coach," Alston said, "but I'm not giving up on the idea of his being able to catch. We're all hoping he'll pull through all right."

Buzzy Bevasi, Dodgers vice president, was just as vocal in his support of Campy being a coach.

"Certainly I would have no objections to Camp being a coach if his playing days are over. Campy knows how we feel about him. He's been with us 10 years and I don't know why people are worrying about what will happen to him now."

Even though Bavasi seems to feel that Roy's future is secure, a lot of people, nevertheless, are concerned about the jovial catcher's future in baseball.

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PEOPLE WHO know Campanella best realize that if it's humanly possible he will want to return to baseball. That's his first love and he has said often in the past that when his playing days are over he would like nothing better than to stay in the game he started playing as a youngster.

From a financial standpoint, Campy appears to be secure. He has his Harlem liquor store and has been careful with the money he has acquired through the years as one of the best-paid players of the game. Also, as a ten-year veteran of the National League he will eventually begin to draw a monthly persion from the players' fund. If he is permanently disabled he will draw $250 for life from the fund.

Fortunately Campy appears to be making a good recovery from the automobile accident in which he suffered a fractured neck last week.

After a second operation last Friday to relieve an infection in his right lung, doctors at Glen Cove Hospital said Campy was greatly improved.

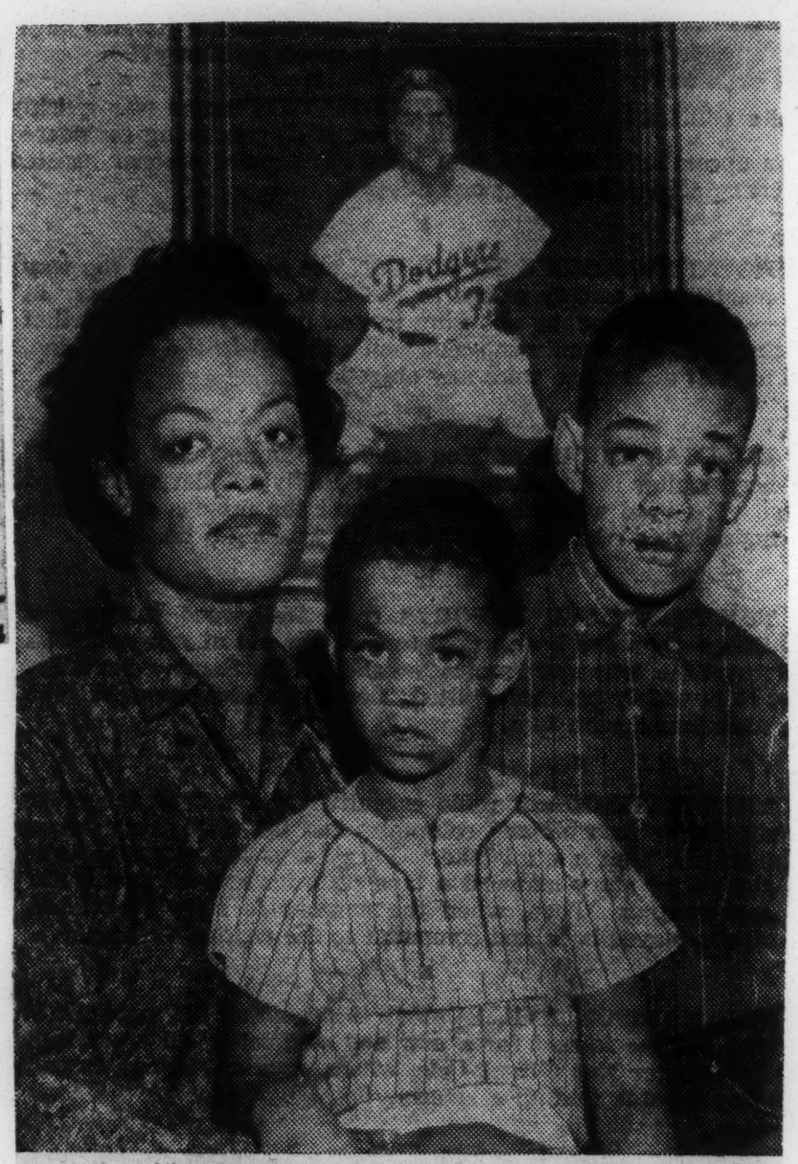
However, as this is being written there isn't too much change in the paralysis that occurred following the accident.

CAMPY CAN wiggle his fingers a bit. He has also regained feeling in his hands, arms and chest down to his abdomen. In this respect the doctors admitted the improvement was better than expected.

Doctors would not say when the paralysis would disappear. They admitted it might take months or even years.

As of last Friday, Roy's wife, Ruth, continued to be his only visitor. She said Campy's outlook appeared to be bright. "He even joked with me a little bit," she said.

Proof of the catcher's popularity were found in the thousands of cards and wires he received from all over the country during the first days following the accident.



Anxious Moments—The past week has been filled with anxious moments for Mrs. Roy Campanella and her six children following the serious injury to her husband, Roy. Mrs. Campanella is shown above with two of her children, Tony, 7, and Princess, 4. Behind them is a portrait of the Dodger ace.

DODGERS' CATCHER PINNED IN WRECK

Seven Surgeons Operate For Nearly 4½ Hours

TEMPORARILY PARALYZED

By WHITNEY MARTIN
Associated Press Sports Writer

GLEN COVE, N. Y., Jan. 28.—Roy Campanella's brilliant career as one of baseball's greatest catchers appeared at an end Tuesday. A grinding auto accident broke his neck and left him temporarily paralyzed.

A seven-man team of surgeons worked over the Negro star of the Dodgers for four hours and 20 minutes in an attempt to repair the damage to his husky frame and relieve paralysis from the chest down. The operation had been expected to take but two hours.

Operation A Success

Afterwards, Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken, head of the surgical team, termed the operation a success and said the paralysis is expected to disappear. But it may be six weeks before Campanella is up and around.

Dr. Sengstaken said the injury came within an inch of killing the player.

The doctor did not rule out the possibility that Campanella might play baseball again. But the future, nevertheless, was bleak for the heaviest hitting catcher in the history of the sport.

At 36, Campanella already was considered by some observers to be over the hill—because of age and because of hand injuries that are a constant menace to a catcher's career. Twice the National League's most valuable player, Campanella had one of his poorer seasons last year.

The first doctor to reach Campanella, even as the big man lay trapped and moaning in the wreckage of his car, summed it up by saying:

"It doesn't look good for his baseball career."

Pavement Wet

Campanella's car skidded on wet pavement as he went into a dangerous "S" curve about half a mile from his home here. He was driving back the 30 miles from New York to his North Shore Long Island home after a television appearance.

The car flipped over and crashed into a telephone pole. Rescuers had to use crowbars to get to Campanella.

"Get me out of here," the sport star moaned as Dr. W. S. Gurnee, attracted by the sound of the crash, hurried to the scene from his nearby home. The physician administered first aid and gave Campanella a pain-relieving shot.

Later, Campanella was conscious and coherent as he discussed with doctors the nature of his injury. When they advised surgery, he said:

"Whatever you fellows think is necessary."

The operation began five hours after the auto mishap. It was nearly 4½ hours later when he was wheeled out of the operating room.

The Dodgers—recently transferred from Brooklyn to Los Angeles—tried to take an optimistic official outlook. In Darrtown, Ohio, Manager Walter Alston said:

Rugged Type

"Knowing him as I do, he'll be back as soon as he can, if at all possible. He's a very rugged type individual."

There were many baseball fans who thought that Campanella, more than any other Dodger, carried the team. When he was good, they were good—and when he had an off year, often the team's standing slumped. Other catchers are on the Dodger roster and read yto take over. But as Dodger vice president Buzzy Bavasi put it:

"You just don't replace a fellow like Campanella."

Campanella was the league's most valuable player in 1951, 1953, and 1955. In the latter year, the Dodgers won their first World Series.

In 1953, Campanella hit 41 home runs, most ever recorded by a catcher. The same year his 142 runs batted in also set a record for catchers.

He was seven times a member of the National League All-Star team in the annual mid-season game.

Campanella also was the highest paid player in Dodger history in 1956 when he signed a $42,500 contract. His 1958 contract, signed last November, called for $36,500. He batted only .242 last year and hit but 13 homers.

Due To Report

The 215-pound Campanella, a native of Philadelphia, was due to report March 1 for spring training with the Dodgers at Vero Beach, Fla. He also was engrossed in plans to move to Los Angeles, which the Dodgers will represent for the first time this year.

Married and with six children ranging in age from 4 to 16, Campanella owns a prosperous Harlem liquor store. He has a $38,000 yacht which he was trying to sell before leaving New York.

As a veteran of more than 10 years in baseball, Campanella is eligible for a $175 monthly pension when he reaches the age of 50. If permanently injured, he gets $250 a month for life under baseball's pension plan, starting six months from Tuesday.

Roy Campanella

Campanella joined the Dodgers in 1948, as the third Negro on a team that already included Jackie Robinson and Don Newcombe.

His lifetime batting average of .276 does not in itself indicate the value to his team of 242 home runs and 763 runs batted in during his Dodger career.

Campanella was plagued by injuries, beginning with a dislocated right thumb in 1950. His hands were injured often. He had two operations on his left hand to remove bone chips and calcium deposits. The latest was in 1956 and since then he has complained that he could not properly grip a bat.

ONE OF THE BEST CAMPY

Losing Roy Campanella was almost worse than losing the Dodgers. He was a team in himself, a gamey guy who gave every play the old college try, cheerful, uncomplaining, an inspiration to everybody, on the field or watching. He caught as if his life depended on it. He scorned the thought that baseball was only a game. When he took off after a foul ball or manned home plate against an invading enemy he was monopolized by a sense of dire urgency, a recognition of his overwhelming sole responsibility that banished all unworthy irrelevancies from his thoughts. He grinned in success, felt the shame of the damned when his best was not good enough.

With determination like that he can't lose this current battle on a hospital bed. Thousands of friends, grateful for the pleasure he gave them as a player, are wishing him the best.

ROY CAMPANELLA GAINS IN HOSPITAL

Ball Player's Legs Still Paralyzed but Strength Returns to Arms

Special to The New York Times.

GLEN COVE, L. I., Jan. 29—Roy Campanella was able to move his fingers and arms slightly tonight, and he was reported to be considerably improved. His condition was still listed as critical, however.

A bulletin issued by the Community Hospital this evening said that strength and movement were beginning to return to the ball player's hands. In addition, he had feeling through the arms, hands and upper chest. But his legs remained paralyzed.

The 36-year-old catcher for the Los Angeles Dodgers appeared to be resting comfortably and was in good spirits today after an operation that lasted four hours and fifteen minutes yesterday to repair two fractured vertebrae in his neck.

Mr. Campanella's wife Ruthe visited him periodically during the day. He told her not to worry and that he would be all right. She is the only visitor permitted.

Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken, the 35-year-old neurological surgeon who performed the operation, examined the ball player three times today. A bulletin was issued after each examination and each indicated greater improvement. Mr. Campanella was injured early yesterday when the car he was driving crashed.

The first two bulletins, in the morning and afternoon, were telephoned to the Dodgers' Brooklyn office, where they were released to the press. The evening bulletin, which will be the last of the day, was issued at the hospital.

Many Calls Received

Harold Gifford, the hospital administrator, said that hundreds of telephone calls and telegrams had been received since Mr. Campanella's accident became known.

Mr. Campanella's car skidded out of control on a slippery winding road, a mile and a half from his home here. The sedan turned over on its right side and crashed into a telephone pole. He was imprisoned in the wreckage for thirty minutes.

The ball player was operated on by a team of three surgeons. His spinal cord was compressed, but otherwise undamaged, and he was paralyzed from the shoulders down.

After the operation, Dr. Sengstaken said that the outlook was hopeful. He was unable to say then, and could not say today, when Mr. Campanella would be able to walk or to play baseball again.

Mr. Campanella lives with his wife and six children in a ten-room ranch house on Eastland Drive, East Island, Glen Cove.

ROY CAMPANELLA CONTINUES TO GAIN

Injured Catcher Gets Some Feeling Back in Body—Legs Still Paralyzed

Special to The New York Times.

GLEN COVE, L. I., Jan. 30—Roy Campanella continued to show improvement today from the critical injuries he suffered in an automobile accident early Tuesday.

The Community Hospital here reported in an evening bulletin that there was further improvement in the paralysis that followed the fracture of two vertebrae in the ballplayer's neck. He had some feeling in his body, but the paralysis in his legs was unchanged.

Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken, the neuro-surgeon who performed the lengthy operation on the 36-year-old catcher for the Los Angeles Dodgers, said his patient was resting more comfortably today after a somewhat restless night. Mr. Campanella's temperature remained slightly elevated, which had been expected.

Mr. Campanella was examined this morning and the afternoon by the physician. The first dissipation of the paralysis, which occurred from the shoulders down, started yesterday when partial movement returned to the arms, fingers and upper chest region. His condition was still listed as critical today.

Dr. Sengstaken said it could not be determined when the paralysis would disappear. He said he was heartened, however, by the improvement.

The number of telegrams and telephone calls received at the hospital declined today after the hundreds received yesterday and Tuesday. Telegrams from President Eisenhower, Vice President Richard M. Nixon and Governor Harriman were among those received yesterday.

Mr. Campanella's wife Ruthe visited him today. Their six children remained at their home in Glen Cove.

Campy Thrice Voted MVP In National

Chicago Tribune Wed 1-29-58

By JOE REICHLER

GLEN COVE, N.Y., Jan. 28 (AP)—Rough, tough Roy Campanella, who rose from a 50-cents-a-day catcher in the Negro leagues to a three-time Most Valuable Player Award winner in the major leagues, may play no more.

It took a broken neck to put apparent "finis" to the incredible career of this seemingly indestructible receiver.

The loss of this round but durable, good-natured but purposeful slugger is bound to be keenly felt by the Dodgers—even more so than the departure of Jackie Robinson last year. Campy, more than any other Dodger, rated the tag "indispensable."

Roy's diamond career, which began at the age of 13 and apparently has ended at 36, is a saga. Recognized as the best catcher in the National League since 1948, the bulky little man—he packs 220 pounds in a 5-9 frame—rewrote more pages in the record books than any catcher in National League history. He completed his 10th year in the majors in 1957, making him eligible for players' pension.

His catching virtuosity, his catlike movements behind the plate despite his extraordinary bulk, his ability to handle even the most erratic of pitchers without making a false move and, above all, his magnificent throwing arm had the most critical of old timers bug-eyed with admiration. Ty Cobb who once paid him the supreme compliment, saying Roy Campanella will be remembered longer than any other catcher in the history of baseball.

Campanella's defensive prowess and his knack for getting the most out of pitchers would have made him a remarkable catcher even if he weren't much of a hitter. But he was one of the most dangerous Dodgers from 1949 through 1956, when the Dodgers won five pennants and finished second the other three years.

Roy cracked 33 home runs and drove in 103 runs in 1951 when he captured the first of his three MVP awards. Two years later, Campanella established a pair of single season records for catchers by hammering 41 homers and knocking in 142 runs. In 1955, he had 32 homers and 107 RBIs, which earned him his third crown. The Dodgers won the National League pennant in 1951 and '53 and added their first World Championship in '55.

Come On, Campy!

Catcners, if they are good catchers and especially if they are plump or if they are the wiry type, do something to you. The catcher becomes the grandma of the ball club, in the case of plumpness, the stick-in-there barb in the case of the lean short ones.

Roy Campanella, like his opponent Yogi Berra, is of the former type. Good-humored, he always could suffer without blowing up very much. He was a waddle-gaited clown after a fashion, but a yeoman behind the Dodgers' plate, a simple piece of white rubber he guarded when necessary, however, with the ferocity of a unyielding rhinoceros.

Campy, as he has been called by baseball fans throughout the world, is still in serious condition in Glen Cove, L. I., following an auto smashup. Any who ever felt deep warmth for baseball will be pulling for him. He is one of the finest and most human of ballplayers. If he never gets to play again, it will be tragic. If he doesn't though, he will have in his time made an enviable mark on the sport.

PARALYZED AS CAR CRASHES AGAINST POLE

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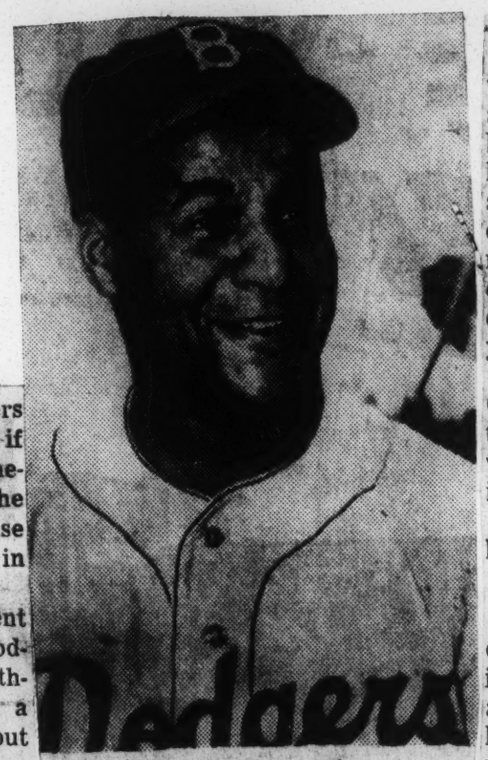
Star in Surgery for Four Hours



Dodgers' Campa

Glen Cove, N. Y., Jan. 28 (AP)—Roy Campanella's career as one of baseball's greatest catchers appeared at an end today. A grinding auto accident early this morning broke his neck and left him temporarily paralyzed.

A seven man team of surgeons worked over the star of the Los Angeles Dodgers for four hours 20 minutes in an attempt to repair the damage to his body and to relieve paralysis from the chest down. The operation had been expected to take only two hours.

Afterwards, Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken, head of the surgical team, termed the operation a success and said the paralysis is expected to disappear. But, it may be six weeks before Campanella is up and around. Dr. Sengstaken said the injury came within an inch of killing the player.

Future Appears Bleak

The doctor did not rule out the possibility that Campanella might play baseball again. But the future, nevertheless, was bleak for the heaviest hitting catcher in the history of the sport.

At 36, Campanella already was considered by some observers to be over the hill—because of age and because of hand injuries that are a constant menace to a catcher's career. The National league's most valuable player on three occasions, Campanella had one of his poorer seasons last year.

The first doctor to reach Campanella, even as he lay trapped and moaning in the wreckage of his car, summed it up by saying:

"It doesn't look good for his baseball career."

Car Flips, Crashes

Campanella's car skidded on wet pavement as he went into a dangerous S curve about one-half a mile from his home in Glen Coves. He was driving back the 30 miles from New York to his north shore Long island home after a television appearance.

The car flipped over and crashed into a telephone pole. Rescuers had to use crowbars to get to Campanella.

"Get me out of here," Campanella moaned, as Dr. W. S. Gurnee, attracted by the sound of the crash, hurried to the scene from his home nearby. The physician administered first aid and gave Campanella a pain relieving injection.

Talks With Surgeon

Later, Campanella was conscious and coherent as he discussed with doctors the nature o fhis injury. When they advised surgery, he said:

"Whatever you fellows think is necessary."

The operation began five hours after the auto mishap. It was after noon when he was wheeled out of the operating room.

The Dodgers—recently transferred from Brooklyn to Los Angeles—tried to take an optimistic official outlook. In Darrtown, O., Manager Walter Alston said:

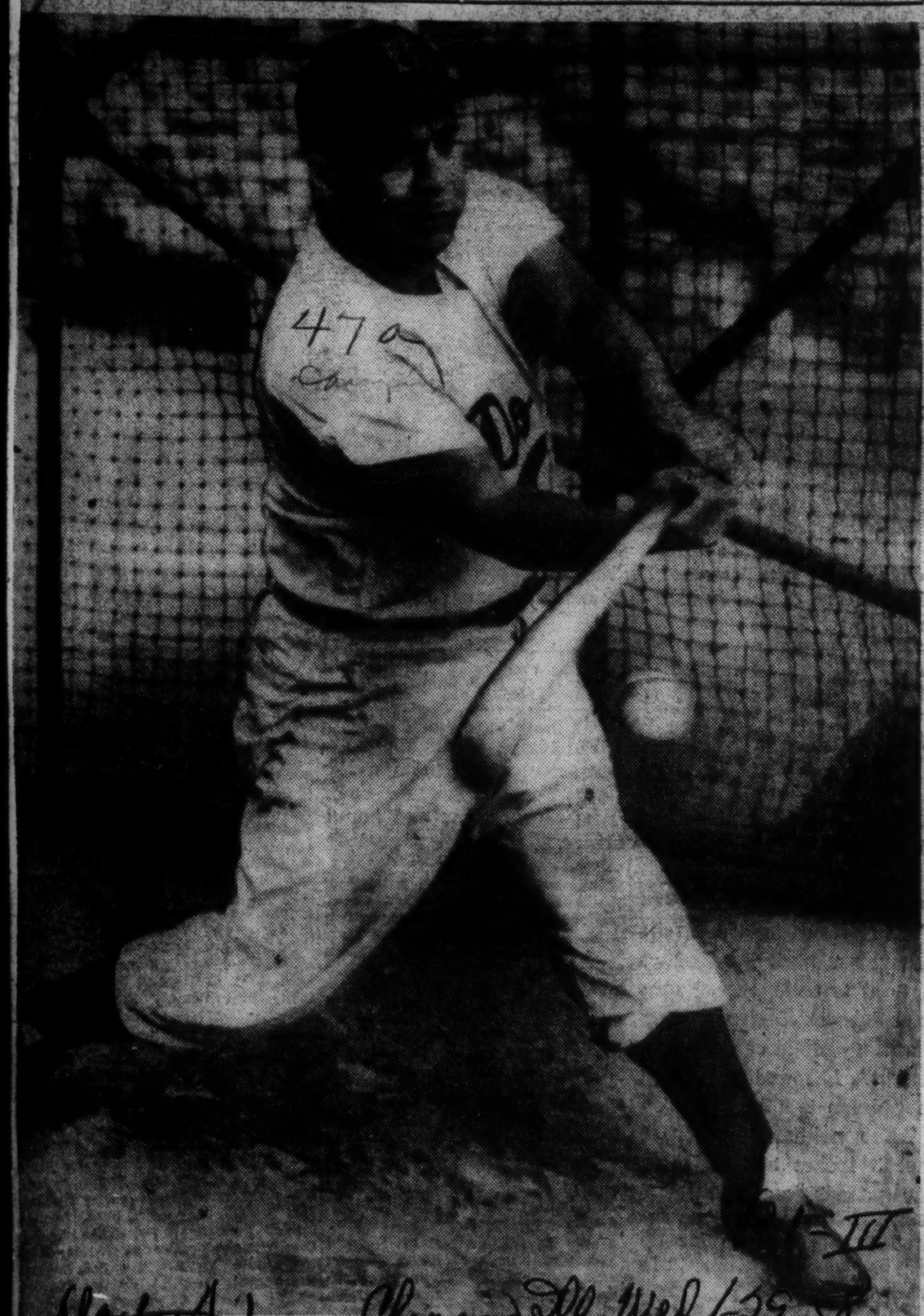
"Knowing him as I do, he'll be back as soon as he can, if at all possible. He's a very rugged type individual."

"Carried the Team"

There were many baseball fans who thought that Campanella, more than any other Dodger, carried the team. When he was good, they were good—and when he had an off year, often the team's standing slumped. Other catchers are on the Dodger roster and ready to take over, but, as Buzzy Bavasi, Dodger vice president put it:

"You just don't replace a fellow like Campanella."

WILL THIS PICTURE BE JUST A MEMORY?



Roy Campanella of Los Angeles Dodgers, one of baseball's greatest catchers, may have reached end of brilliant career as result of auto accident early yesterday that broke his neck and left him temporarily paralyzed from chest down.

OUTLOOK GLOOMY FOR CAMPANELLA

Catcher's Strength Fails to Gain and Feeling Recedes, Hospital Bulletin Says

Special to The New York Times.

GLEN COVE, L. I., Feb. 19—A pessimistic bulletin on Roy Campanella's condition was issued today by the Community Hospital.

No improvement in the muscle strength of the 36-year-old Dodger catcher has been apparent since his neck was broken in an automobile accident Jan. 28, the bulletin said. Nervous sensation that had returned to the left side as low as the knee has now receded to the groin.

Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken, the neurosurgeon who performed an operation to repair two fractured vertebrae in the baseball player's neck, said "specific prediction cannot be made at this time as to the degree of new improvement."

"However, the longer the paralysis remains unchanged, the less one can expect for the future," the physician added.

Mr. Campanella was critically injured when his automobile overturned on a slippery road near his home. He was pinned in the wreckage for thirty minutes.

As a result of the accident, he was paralyzed from the shoulders down. Since feeling returned in the first week, but no improvement has been noted since.

A lung infection that developed several days after the operation was brought under control after a trachtotomy had been performed. The trachtotomy tube in Mr. Campanella throat, but it is not used continuously. It is expected that it will be removed in a few weeks.

The surgical wounds have healed satisfactorily, Dr. Sengstaken said, and X-rays show that the vertebrae have remained in their proper places.

Future bulletins on Mr. Campanella's condition will be issued weekly.

LUNG INFECTION ADDS TO ILLS OF CAMPANELLA

GLEN COVE, N. Y., Jan. 31 (AP)—An infection in the right lung added complications today to the recovery of Roy Campanella, who remains on the critical list.

The hospital reported that the Los Angeles catcher, who suffered a broken neck in an automobile accident early Tuesday, had a rise in temperature last night as a result of the lung condition.

A tube was inserted in his throat for removal of mucous. The Dodger player's temperature was lower this morning. Doctors said he had a comfortable night.

No Sensation in Legs

Meanwhile, there was no change in Campanella's partial paralysis. He has regained some feeling as far down as his abdomen but there is still no sensation in his legs.

The official hospital bulletin this morning said:

"The patient's temperature rose last night and there was evidence of infection in his right lung. 'A tracheotomy [tube down throat] was performed in order to assist the patient in removing mucous from his lung.

Patient Improves Greatly

"Following this procedure the patient was greatly improved and had a restful night. His temperature was lower this morning. There is no change in feeling from the earlier bulletin."

Among the hundreds of telegrams and cards received by the 36 year old catcher were messages from President Eisenhower and Vice President Nixon, wishing him a speedy recovery.

Campanella Paralysis Lingers on

GLEN COVE, N. Y., Feb. 19 (AP)—Roy Campanella remains paralyzed from the hips down and the hospital says the longer the condition remains unchanged the less one can expect for the future.

"We are still hopeful that the patient's paralysis will improve," read a statemetn by Harry C. F. Gifford, administrator of the Community Hospital at Glen Cove, N. Y.

Campanella has been a patient since Jan. 28 when the catcher for the Los Angeles Dodgers suffered a broken neck in an auto accident.

Gifford's statement, issued after consultation with the various doctors who have been associated with the case, made no mention of Campanella's chances of playing baseball again.

"The consenus remains that specific predictions can not be made at this time as to the degree of neurological improvement," it read. "However, the longer the paralysis remains unchanged, the less one can expect for the future."

The bulletin reported the 37-year-old athlete was showing great interest in his surroundins, listened to the radio and often would be watching television.

"Roy Campanella's courageous spirit and his morale still are high," it reported.

The hospital reported that Campanella's surgical wound had healed without complications, his fractured vertebrae remained in perfect condition and healing has progressed.

Body Still Paralyzed But—

Campy Improved

Career Over For Dodger, It Appears

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In any event, the Negro catcher's active baseball career appeared at an end. He is 36, a relatively advanced age in sports, and even with a quick recovery would have little time left to regain his playing skill.

Dr. Robert Sengstaken, who headed a seven-man surgical team that operated on Campanella yesterday, said afterwards "He won't be able to play before a year and, in my opinion he would be foolish if he continued playing baseball."

One of baseball's greats, Campanella holds the record for most home runs in one season by a catcher, 41, and the most runs batted in, 142. Both records were set in 1953.

Campanella was the National League's most valuable player in 1951, 1953 and 1955. He also represented his league in seven All-Star games.

His $42,500 salary in 1956 was the highest ever paid a Dodger. He signed a 1958 contract last November for $36,500 and was to have reported March 1 in Florida for Spring training.

CAMPANELLA SHOWS SOME IMPROVEMENT

Road Ahead For Dodger Is Long And Hard

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He'll Come Back Before—

Campy Counting On His 'Ace'—Prayer

BY OSCAR FRALEY
United Press Sports Writer

NEW YORK, Jan. 29 (U.P.)—Roy Campanella is using the same comforting refuge today which helped him through hundred tight spots.

"I'm praying."

That's always been Roy's ace in the hole. And he was praying hopefully today as he lay in a Glen Cove Hospital with a broken neck suffered in an automobile accident.

They worked for him often before. They had to for this roly-poly man to make it all the way from the Negro sandlots to one of the top spots in baseball.

You remember some of them as you look back over his career, one replete with broken bones, fractures, operations and flaming tendons. **Like the time in 1951 when he went down into** the basement to light the gas heater and it blew up in his face.

For a few moments Roy thought he was blind. There was a question as to how much damage had been done to his eyesight.

"I prayed hard," Roy said.

That same year he was beaned on the left ear. But despite it all, Campy came back to win most valuable player honors for the first of three times.

Roy has had more than his share of troubles, even with his own. Jackie Robinson often "got on him" because, as Robinson and others fought for "recognition," the smiling, happy-go-lucky Campy wasn't militant enough. But he was there to play baseball, overcoming horribly battered hands and bad legs in the process, and made the best crusade of them all because of his smiling niceness.

Campy, a beaming Buddha, could be a clown or a gadfly on the field. He was there to run the pitchers and wield a big bat. That he did in a Hall of Fame manner. Off-the-field campaigns he left to others. Campy was too busy making good and making a living and a future for his family.

One time they asked him about dissension on the team:

"Dissension?" he asked. "I dunno. Maybe we got no pitchers but what we do got is harmony."

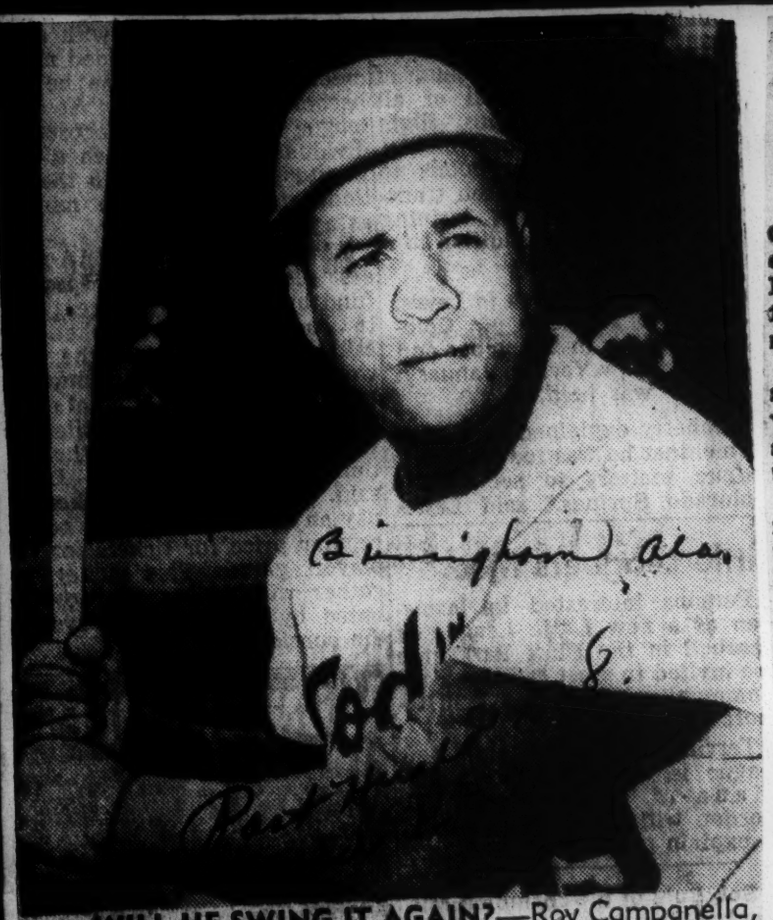
He was always a harmony man. Like the time he crashed into big Luke Easter, playing third base for a rival Negro league team. Roy kept right on running, across home plate, through the dugout and into the locker room. Later he placated the still-angry Easter:

"Wait a minute, Luke. You don't think a little guy like me is gonna hit a big guy like you, do you? I ain't that dumb."

There is nothing dumb about Campy. As he once told Sandy Koufax, when the young pitcher asked him if he played golf:

"Listen, son, they don't pay you for foolin' around with that little ball with the dimples. You get paid for handlin' that big ball with the stitches. Remember that and you'll be okay."

That's Campy's secret of success—"prayin' and tryin'," which is why they're not counting him "out" yet. Campy will make it back if it's humanly possible. Maybe even if it isn't possible for most humans. Because Roy has a genuine faith in his prayers—and helps them along as much as possible personally.



WILL HE SWING IT AGAIN?—Roy Campanella, star catcher of the Los Angeles Dodgers, is shown swinging his heavy hitting bat before yesterday's automobile collision that broke his neck and left him partially paralyzed. Although doctors successfully repaired the injury by operation, his baseball career seems in almost certain jeopardy. (United Press Telephoto).

ROY CAMPANELLA

Great Dodger Catcher May Recover Completely

GLEN COVE, N. Y.—(INS)—Roy Campanella, one of baseball's greatest catchers, may recover completely from the fractured neck he suffered Tuesday morning in an automobile accident.

The husky 30-year-old Dodger stalwart escaped death by an inch when his car skidded and struck a utility pole while he was driving to his home here.

Campy is paralyzed from the neck down. But his physicians said that a four hour and 20 minute operation performed on him was successful. Doctor Robert W. Sengstaken said: "We do not know when, but we expect recovery to a normal state."

The doctor declared that if Campanella's injury had been an inch higher he would have died instantly. The physicians said the recovery from paraylsis could take anywhere from two months to years. The doctor said he was not ruling out the possibility that Campanella will play baseball again. Campy is three-time winner of the National League's Most Valuable Player award.

Campanella was pinned in the wreckage of his automobile "like a pretzel" for 45 minutes. Dr. Sengstaken, attending physician for neurological surgery at Community Hospital in Glen Cove, said the dislocation of the fifth and sixth cervical vertebrae "compressed the spinal cord but did not fracture it . . . ." He said the injury in laymen's language "was a broken neck."

The doctor said that because of the paralysis, which includes both of Campy's legs, "he can't push his arms out and he can't grasp."

But Dr. Sengstaken declared:

"I am not ruling out the possibility that he'll ever play again."

Campanella's boss, Walter O'Malley, president of the Los Angeles Dodgers, said he had spoken to the genial catcher and that he expects Roy will have to remain in the hospital for six weeks.

Reporting that the operation was a "success," O'Malley declared:

"The prayers of a great many people have been answered."

O'Malley and Dodger team physician Dr. Herbert Fett consulted with Dr. Sengstaken and with orthopedic surgeons Gilbert Taylor and Stanley J. Makowski, who assisted in the operation.

"Roy stood it very well," O'Malley said. "He is on the critical list but his prognosis is hopeful. Of great significance was the fact that the spinal cord was not severed."

Dr. Sengstaken said Campanella's "short, thick muscular neck made the surgery difficult." He added, "we can't tell now whether another operation will be necessory, but it won't be in the near future anyway."

The doctor said the paralysis was caused by the compression of the spinal cord, adding that "we relieved the compression and we found the spinal cord perfectly normal" during the operation.

Frisco Brass Observes—

Loss Of Campanella Key To Bums' Failure

LOS ANGELES, May 13 (AP)—The loss of veteran Catcher Roy Campanella was pointed up today as possibly a key answer to the most asked question in town today—what's wrong with the Los Angeles Dodgers?

Oddly enough, the thought was advanced by a long time "enemy" of the Dodgers, Secretary Edward T. Brannick of the San Francisco Giants, who have been the main villains in the sorry showing of the Los Angeles club.

"Brooklyn, I mean the Dodgers, are a better ball club than they've shown," said Brannick.

"The Dodgers could use Camp. They need the confidence he gave the club.

"His absence shows how important a catcher is to a team. Think back to Bill Dickey, Gabby Hartnett and fellows like that.

"Look how valuable Del Crandall is to Milwaukee. This fellow Hank Foiles is doing a great job with Pittsburgh.

"Campy gave the Dodger pitchers a target. He gave 'em confidence. He could also whack that ball."

Dodger Manager Walt Alston also had a few words, too:

"Well, the coliseum is made for Campy. He would have put a lot of balls over that screen. And no doubt some of the pitchers have missed him. I want to give him all the credit in the world but the catchers don't throw the ball."

Back to Brannick: "If they get their pitchers to rotating in normal fashion, and (Gil) Hodges, (Carl) Furillo and (Duke) Snider start to hit, as they will, the Dodgers will be all right."

"Look at the slow start St. Louis got. Now they have awakened." Captain Pee Wee Reese of the Dodgers was asked if he recalled any team in his 19 years that got off so poorly.

"Hell," replied Pee Wee "I can't remember ever playing with a club going this bad."

He recalled the 1948 club got off bad but went on to finish third.

"But the way things look now, I can't say this club is capable of making the same comeback," he concluded.

Campanella Offered 'Working Job' Of Deputy Boxing Commissioner

New York, May 25 (UPI) Roy Campanella, the Los Angeles Dodgers' stricken catcher, was offered a job as a deputy State Boxing Commissioner today and also advised that he will be able to use a wheel chair for the first time Monday.

Gov. Averill Harriman, who visited Campanella at a New York rehabilitation center, said the partly-paralyzed 36-year-old player "was overwhelmed" by the job offer and replied, "I would very much like to take it."

Partly Paralyzed

Harriman gave no indication when Campanella might be able to assume the duties of a deputy commissioner. Campanella would be able to get around at least in a wheel chair to fulfill the duties of the office. Deputy commissioners' chief responsibilities involve supervising fights at various clubs in the state. They make between $7,000 and $8,000 a year.

Doctors at the institute of physical medicine and rehabilitation of New York University medical center said the job would be great for the catcher's rehabilitation. Campanella has been partly paralyzed since an automobile accident on January 28.

Doctors, who only last Friday said Campanella was making slow progress, said that he will be put ina wheel chair Monday. Campanella, who has been confined to a tilt-board device, will be permitted to use the wheelchair during the day. He also will be required to use the tilt board "for at least a few more months."

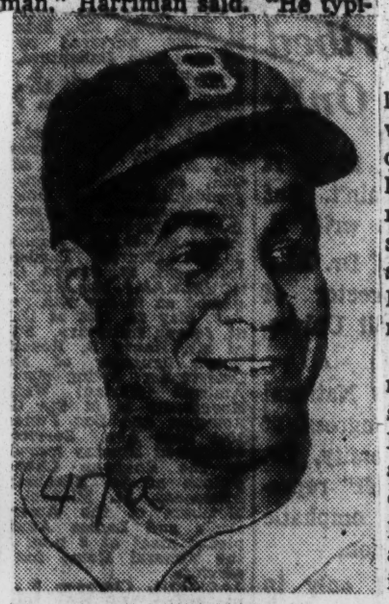
Harriman, an ex-Brooklyn fan spent a half hour with Campanella and said his eyes "looked bright and he appeared able to get out and play a baseball game this afternoon."

"Campanella has great guts," said Harriman. "He seemed optimistic that he will continue to display this courage through his rehabilitation."

Job Isn't Honorary

The governor emphasized that the deputy commissioner post offered Campanella is not "honorary"—but a "working job."

"Roy is an outstanding sportsman," Harriman said. "He typifies the highest sense of sportsmanship. Boxing commissioner Jules Helfand and I believe that Roy will make a fine contribution to boxing, not only as an encouragement to boxers but in guaranteeing honest boxing."



Roy Campanella
Able To Use Wheel Chair

Harriman said he also kidded with Campanella about the Dodgers' poor showing this season and asked him, "Are they so bad because they miss you?"

"That short left field was just made for me," answered Campanella, referring to the Los Angeles Coliseum's controversial 250-foot fence.

CAMPANELLA SAYS NO TO STATE POST

Paralyzed Dodger Catcher Indicates He'd Rather Be a Coach for Old Team

Roy Campanella, the paralyzed Dodger catcher, declined with thanks yesterday the offer of Governor Harriman to put him on the State Athletic Commission as a deputy commissioner. The indications were strong that he'd rather be a Dodger coach than a state commissioner.

A spokesman for Mr. Campanella at the New York University-Bellevue Medical Center's Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation said that the catcher planned to become a pitching coach for his old team as soon as he could leave the institute.

It had been reported earlier that Walter O'Malley, the Dodgers president, had offered the former catcher a coach's post. However, Matt Burns, Eastern representative of the Los Angeles Dodgers, denied that any refinite arrangement for a specific job had been made. He said that Mr. O'Malley had said "there would always be a job for Campanella with the Dodgers."

Mr. Burns said the only reason given for Mr. Campanella's refusal of the Governor's May offer was that he was still undergoing treatment for the paralyzing injuries he suffered in an automobile accident last January. The institute spokesmen later modified Mr. Campanella's statement to conform to this.

At the institute it was reported that the baseball player had been visited last week by many of his former teammates and by Mr. O'Malley.

Mr. Campanella's condition continues to improve, the institute spokesman said. While his legs are still paralyzed, his arms are improving and he can lift up to fourteen pounds with his right hand and twelve pounds with his left. He also sits in a wheel chair.

He will not be discharged until he is able to get around in the wheel chair by himself. This might be several months yet, it was indicated, but it was said that Mr. Campanella "couldn't be more determined."

Campanella's Yacht Sold For $20,500

Special to the Herald Tribune

GLEN COVE, L. I., June 7.—Roy Campanella's yacht, a forty-one-foot cabin cruiser which cost $47,000 when it was built in 1956, was sold at auction today for $20,500. Irwin Weiss, an automobile dealer of New York City, was the purchaser.

One hundred persons, most of them merely curious, appeared for the sale at the Glen Cove Marina, 76 Shore Road. Some of them inspected the custom-built Richardson cruiser, but there were only about fifteen active bidders. The yacht, which sleeps eight, has teakwood decks, special navigational aids and two 250-hp engines.

Mr. Campanella, former catcher for the baseball Dodgers now in Los Angeles, suffered a broken neck in an automobile accident last Jan. 28. He is still almost completely paralyzed but has recently been able to sit up in a wheelchair with the aid of a neck brace. Mr. Campanella is now undergoing treatment at the Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at New York University - Bellevue Medical Center.

He has been offered two future employment opportunities; one as deputy commissioner of the New York State Athletic Commission and the other a coaching job with the Dodgers.

Comeback Trail: While his old teammates on the Los Angeles Dodgers wrestled with the gloomy darkness of the National League cellar, former star catcher ROY CAMPANELLA, left paralyzed following an auto accident four months ago, was cheerful and optimistic. The reason: First, Gov. AVERELL HARRIMAN, stopping in to see him at the New York University-Bellevue Medical Center where he is undergoing rehabilitation, offered Campy a position as deputy commissioner of the State Athletic Commission (salary: $8,000). Next, he was allowed to sit up in a wheel chair, aided by a head brace, for the first time. While taking a wheel-chair tour of the hospital, Campy grinned at his doctor and said: "Doc, I'm a meat man and I want plenty of it."

Gift of Room to Hospital Honors Mrs. Wilson on 86th Birthday

By Anna Petersen

As a gift for her eighty-sixth birthday yesterday, a hospital room was dedicated in the name of Mrs. Edith Bolling Wilson, widow of former President Woodrow Wilson.

Mrs. Wilson stood by as a young patient unveiled a bronze plaque on the door at the Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation of New York University-Bellevue Medical Center, 400 East Thirty-fourth Street.

The room was a gift from Mrs. Wilson's long-time friend, Miss Belle Wilcox Baruch, daughter of Bernard M. Baruch. It holds a collection of self-help devices designed to give the disabled more independence and mobility in their daily living.

Three-year-old Elaine Anderson, a victim of poliomyelitis, performed the unveiling ceremony, and also cut the ribbons across the doorway. Then, hand in hand with the guest of honor, she led the procession of guests into the room. Dr. Howard A. Rusk, director of the institute, demonstrated a number of devices for them.

Mrs. Wilson greeted another patient of the institute—Roy Campanella, who arrived in a wheel chair. The former Dodger catcher was paralyzed in an automobile accident.

"You look so well," she told him, "and I've read that you had been home for a visit." The ballplayer assured her that he had been home for visits the last six week-ends.

Before the dedication, Mrs. Wilson was honored at a birthday reception at the hospital. Among the guests were Miss Baruch and her father, Mr. Baruch and Dr. Rusk, who is also associate editor of The New York Times, were founders of the Institute.

For the occasion, Mrs. Wilson wore two purple orchids pinned to her dark beaded dress and a black velvet picture hat, worn at a modish angle. She had come here on Tuesday from her home in Washington and will visit friends for the next few days.

Mrs. Wilson is slighter of figure than in World War I days when she presided at the White House, and her hair, dressed high, is snow white. But she still retains the gentle manners and the accents of her native Virginia.

The New York Times

DEDICATE GIFT TO INSTITUTE: This room was named yesterday in honor of Mrs. Edith Bolling Wilson, right, at Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation of N. Y. U.-Bellevue Medical Center. From left are Roy Campanella, Jean Darthez, Miss Belle Wilcox Baruch, donor of the room; Mrs. Wilson, widow of Woodrow Wilson, and Elaine Anderson, 3-year-old polio patient.

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ROY CAMPANELLA

Campanella May Never Walk Again

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GLEN COVE, N. Y., Feb. 14 (AP).—Roy Campanella remains "cheerful and hopeful" in a hospital here although there is growing concern that he ever will be able to regain use of his legs.

When the roly-poly Dodger catcher was removed from an automobile wreckage Jan. 28, there was hope of full recovery because no visible damage was done to his spinal cord.

He suffered a broken neck and temporary paralysis. But there appeared no tear or break in the spinal cord, which is part of the central nervous system.

PARALYSIS 'STAGNANT'

But after recovering sensation in the upper part of his body, Campanella's paralysis condition became stagnant. For days now he has had no sensation from the chest down.

Passage of the paralysis seems to have stopped.

A physician told the New York Post today:

"I cannot comment on the Campanella case specifically, but speaking generally, I have never heard of a case where a patient's progress stopped, then suddenly resumed in a spurt. The progress is invariably gradual."

CAN MOVE FINGERS

The Dodger catcher is paralyzed from the chest down. He has some sensation in his arms and can move his fingers a little. But he cannot move his legs.

If the fading of paralysis has stopped permanently, Campanella will be bed-ridden for life. If it resumes, he will walk again.

Doctors say now they can only "sit and hope." Recovery of some patients in similar cases has taken years.

The catcher lies stretched on a curved bed in the corner of a hospital room. Two prongs jut from his shaved head. A large surgical bandage lies on the back of his neck.

MAIL IN BUNDLES

Campanella can talk. Doctors and nurses say he is cheerful, but he doesn't chat and joke in his normal fashion.

Mail is coming in bundles. Mrs. Campanella, Roy's wife, says she reads some letters to him but not all.

"It is amazing," Frank Gifford, the hospital administrator, said, "but the best way to describe him is cheerful. He is taking his plight cheerfully."

"A body-turning frame is being used to facilitate nursing care as well as to change position periodically. Physio-therapy has been started, assuring exercise to arms and legs.

"He enjoys television and radio and is following the activities of his teammates at camp. He should be able to have visitors soon."

Campanella was injured when his car left the road while he was returning home from a television studio. There was no permanent damage to his spinal column, according to first reports, and his paralysis was expected to pass. When no improvement in his sense of feeling was noticed after the first two weeks, there was concern he might never walk again. Today's bulletin offers renewed hope.

Campanella Is Improved

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GLEN COVE, N. Y., March 7 (AP)—Roy Campanella's paralysis is slowly disappearing and he is showing general improvement, a hospital official said today.

The veteran Los Angeles Dodger catcher, who suffered a broken neck in an automobile accident Jan. 28, is so improved he may be allowed to have visitors shortly. He still remains paralyzed from the waist down.

The traction has been removed from Campanella's head, the hospital added, and physio-therapy has been started, assuring exercise to his arms and legs.

Harry Gifford, hospital superintendent, said:

"Roy Campanella has shown improvement since the last bulletin two weeks ago. His muscle strength has improved and he now is able to move his wrists and straighten out his arms.

"His sense of feeing has improved slowly and now is down to his upper abdomen. His general medical condition remains satisfactory.

"The previous lung infection has cleared completely. The tube remains in his throat to remove mucous since his cough reflex is not strong enough yet.

"The traction applied to his head has been removed but he is not permitted motion of the neck. His vertebrae is in good position and shows expected healing.

Campanella Able To Move Wrists And Straighten Arms

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GLEN COVE, N. Y. (INS)—Los Angeles Dodger catcher Roy Campanella was reported Friday to have shown "some improvement" in the past two weeks and he now is able to move his wrists and straighten his arms.

His physicians reported that the 36-year-old catcher who suffered a broken neck and was paralyzed from the shoulders down in an auto accident last Jan. 28, no longer is in traction.

"His muscle strength is improved and he is now able to move his wrists and straighten his arms. The sense of feeling improves slowly and is now down to the upper abdomen," the report said.

There was no indication of what the doctors believe Campanella's chances are of ever walking again. Two weeks ago they said the longer the paralysis remains unchanged "the less one can expect for the future."

Friday's bulletin, issued by hospital administrator Harry Gifford, said Campy's general medical condition "remains satisfactory." The catcher's previous lung infection "has cleared completely."

Although traction has been removed Campanella "is not permitted any motion of his neck," according to the bulletin.

Campanella Shows Signs Of Improvement

Courier

GLEN COVE, N.Y. (AP)—A friend, visiting Roy Campanella in the hospital, asked the half-paralyzed Los Angeles Dodger catcher how he felt.

Campanella grinned broadly. "I'm scufflin'," he replied.

The incident was related Wednesday by Frank Slocum, an aide to Commissioner Ford Frick. Slocum was the only person except Campanella's wife and attending physicians allowed in the catcher's room.

"He is doing much better than I expected or even hoped he would be," Slocum said. "I don't mean he is laughing but he has made progress physically and mentally."

Campanella suffered a broken neck in an automobile crash near his home on the early morning of Jan. 28. There was fear at first he might never walk again.

The latest hospital bulletin, however, reported Campanella had recovered a sense of feeling as far down as his lower abdomen and added: "This gives rise to hope."

Slocum said when he visited Campanella a therapist was helping the catcher exercise his arms and fingers.

"He is able to flex his muscles now," Slocum added, "which is really something. Also important, of course, is that his mood is so much better than it was.

"For instance, even when he had recovered from the first shock of his injury, they told me, he had a brooding lack of interest in baseball to a point he not only wouldn't discuss it but didn't like to have anyone else do so.

"But when I walked in, he was listening to a Yankee game on the radio and he spoke of some of their hitters and how he would want them pitched to if he were catching."

"But after a few innings he seemed to tire. He asked the nurse to turn it off."

Slocum said Mrs. Campanella spends all of her idle time at the hospital and cooks both his lunch and dinner. His breakfast is served by the hospital.

During Slocum's visit a nurse brought Campanella two pills and a glass of cranberry juice to wash them down. Campanella winced.

"I'll bet it tastes better than some of the stuff you sell in your store in Harlem," Slocum said. Campanella owns a liquor store.

Campanella laughed. "I couldn't move stuff as bad as this in my store," he said.

SPORTS CAPSULES

Campy Is Still In Bad Shape

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From Times-Union News Services

Roy Campanella, whose baseball playing career with the Los Angeles (formerly Brooklyn) Dodgers baseball club was cut off last winter by a Long Island auto accident, is still in serious condition at a Glen Cove, N.Y. hospital.

The chunky receiver, who was named the National League's most valuable player three times in his career, is slowly regaining strength in his arms but is unable to lift an object. Still paralyzed from the waist down, Campy is rolled over every three or four hours but is not able to do it by himself. His neck was also broken in the accident.

Campy's Strength In Arms Slowly Becoming Better

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Report After 2½ Months

Campanella's Progress Slow but Morale High

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Washington, D. C.

GLEN COVE, N. Y., April 10 (AP)—His progress is agonizingly slow but his morale is high.

That is the condition today of Roy Campanella nearly 2½ months after his close brush with death in an auto accident not far from his Glen Cove home.

Still paralyzed from the lower abdomen, the chunky, 36-year-old Dodger catching great lies strapped to a turning rack in his bed. The tracheotomy tube still is in his throat to help his respiration.

A bulletin issued today by Community Hospital—the first since March 7—said Roy's general condition has remained the same since the last bulletin. Although he cannot move his fingers he still has slight movement in his wrists and can extend his arms. Bending at the elbow is good as are most shoulder movements.

"His sense of feeling is at the lower abdomen level. His medical condition is satisfactory."

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"His morale remains excellent and he listens to every baseball game that is being broadcast," the bulletin concluded.

Mrs. Campanella sees Roy three times a day. On a Wednesday visit she was accompanied by Frank Scott, business agent for many major leaguers and a close friend of the Campanella family. Outside visitors are not permitted but an exception was made for Scott who stayed with Campy for just 10 minutes.

"That fellow is a revelation," said Scott. "His faith and spirit is the most wonderful thing I've ever seen.

"Campy is convinced he's going to be able to walk again some day. Throughout our conversation he kept saying 'I'm going to make it . . . the good Lord will see me through'."

Roy Campanella's Road

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An Analysis of Aids for the Paralytic, Who 10 Years Ago Was Usually Doomed

By HOWARD A. RUSK, M. D.

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When the 1958 major league baseball season opens tomorrow, one of baseball's great stars will be missing. Instead of being in his familiar spot behind the plate in the unfamiliar uniform of a Los Angeles Dodger, Roy Campanella will be in the Community Hospital in Glen Cove, L. I. He has been there since Jan. 28, when he was injured when his automobile overturned on a slippery road.

The injury was reported as a fracture dislocation of the fifth and sixth cervical vertabrae at the base of the neck. The spinal cord was reported as compressed but other wise undamaged.

New York, N.Y.

Hrd the spinal cord been severed, Mr. Campanella would have had complete and permanent paralysis of legs and either partial or complete paralysis of the arms. This condition is known as quadraplegia.

In a bulletin issued last Thursday, the hospital reported Mr. Campanella's condition had remained unchanged within the last month. It said he had slight movement in his wrists and could extend and bend his arms, but could not move his fingers.

It would seem probable that Mr. Campanella will never again be an active baseball player. Only time will tell whether he will be able to walk again, either with or without braces and crutches. No absolute prognosis can be made for several more months. Irrespective of this, however, the future for the 26-year-old Dodger catcher is not as hopeless and gloomy as though his disability had occurred only a decade ago.

Then such an injury was almost synonymous with death, for due to infection, the span of life was short. Fortunately, these infections are now largely controlled with antibiotics. Increased knowledge of biochemistry and the deconditioning phenomena of bed rest has shown that such serious complications as decubitus ulcers (bed sores), kidney infections and decalcification of the bones can be avoided. This is done by getting patients into the standing position for an hour or two each day. Special, easily operated tilt tables have been developed for this purpose.

A young physician, himself paralyzed from polio, has recently developed a successful hydraulic and electrical standing device in which all but the most severely affected quadraplegics can go from the wheel chair to the standing position entirely unassisted.

This is but one of a substantial number of such "self help" devices that have been developed to promote self-sufficiency for patients with severe, residual, permanent disability.

Devices Tested Here

For the past eight years, the New York University-Bellevue Medical Center with the aid of a March of Dimes grant from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has operated a testing and information center on such devices. Devices developed in other centers are sent to New York for evaluation and testing and the results are then distributed throughout the world.

Among such devices are those to assist such patients in eating, personal hygiene, writing, typing and use of the telephone.

The National Foundation has been a leader in the development of "self-help" devices for quadraplegia is a frequent result of paralytic poliomyelitis. In an analysis of 64,146 cases of paralytic polio, 17.4 per cent were found to have severe paralysis of at least both arms and legs. Other leading causes of quadraplegia are diving, surf and automobile accidents and other neurological disorders.

One of the most promising of recent developments of this type is a new "mechanical muscle" recently demonstrated at a conference on human disability held under the auspices of the New York Academy of Science. The "mechanical muscle," which is still highly experimental, is actually a brace plus a special plastic material that contracts live muscle, powered by carbon-dioxide gas. It was developed by Dr. Joseph Laws McKibben, an atomic physicist at Los Alamos, whose daughter is a patient at the Racho Los Amigos Respiratory Center in Los Angeles. The daughter, now 13, was paralized from the neck down by polio in 1952.

As a result of modern medical management and these "self-help" devices, there are numerous examples of determined quadraplegics who lead busy and productive lives.

One of the leading cotton brokers of the South became a quadraplegic eight years ago as the result of an automobile accident. In addition to operating a complex and highly successful business, twelve hours a day, he participates in many other activities including deer hunting. Each year he bags his quota.

Physician's Triumph

Here in New York City, a physician broke her neck in a fall four years ago. This resulted in complete paralysis from the upper chest down and partial paralysis of the arms. This physician, however, drives her own car, leads a busy social life, and continues active practice of psychiatry.

Among those leaving for Europe next month on the "Wings for the Disabled" tour is a young writer severely paralyzed in both arms and legs from cerebral palsy.

A lawyer almost totally paralyzed in both arms and legs for the last ten years conducts an active law practice from his apartment on New York's East Side. Each year he travels in his wheelchair on extended business trips and since becoming paralyzed was admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the United States.

One of the leading executives of Pan American World Airways has worked from a wheelchair since both arms and legs were paralyzed from poliomyelitis eight years ago. Since then he has assumed additional executive responsibiliites that require traveling all over the world.

One of the faculty members at Rollns College, Winter Park, Fla., transferred there seven years ago as a quadraplegic student after breaking his neck in the first play of the first game of the football season. Up until then he had been considered more as a football player than a scholar, but at Rollins College he earned election to Phi Beta Kappa and now operates the college radio station.

These are only a few of hundreds of suc hcases. Modern medical management and self-help devices coupled with personal courage and determination provided the ingredients for their rehabilitation. Roy Campanella has demonstrated on the baseball diamond his fighting spirit and great courage. These are the qualities that are most important to him in the path ahead whether he travels it unaided, on crutches or in a wheelchair.

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Courtesy of Mr. Montgomery Ala.

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"It's nice up here. Don't spoil it."

It was an impulsive remark that came from Campanella one time early in his National League career. There was an altercation during a game with an umpire in which the fiery Jackie Robinson was involved.

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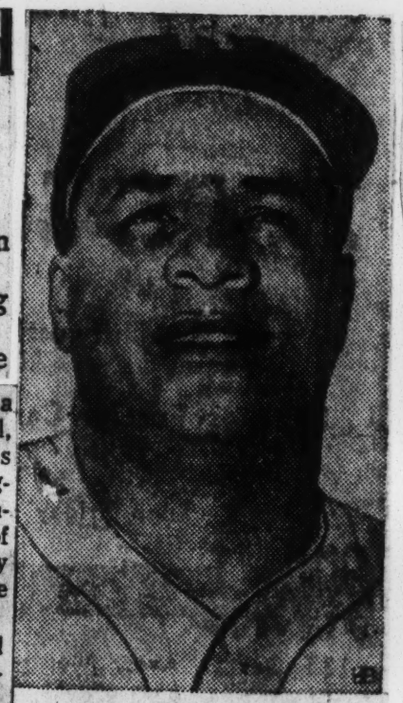

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"I tried to get a tryout with the Phillies that year," Roy said. "Hans Lobert, the Phillies coach, said he would have to see Gerry Nugent, the club president. I never did met him."

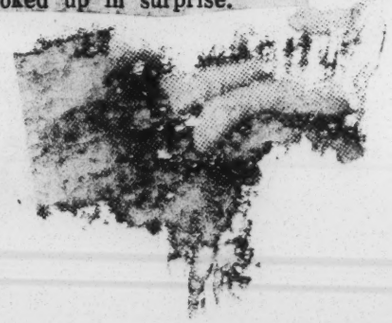
In March, 1946, in response to an urgent telegram from Branch Rickey, the head of the Dodgers, Campy came home from the winter games in Venezuela and reported to Brooklyn. That spring, while Robinson drew most of the attention, Roy was quietly sent to the Dodgers' Class B ball club in Nashua, N.H. The manager there was Walter Alston, now manager of the Dodgers.

Campy finally became a Dodger in 1948 after spending a month in St. Paul. After hitting 13 home runs and batting .325 he was brought to Flatbush. Leo Durocher, then manager of the Dodgers, immediately put him to work. The Dodgers were in sixth place when Campy took over. They finished third.

In 1949, under the direction of manager Burt Shotton, Campy caught nearly all the games and the Dodgers won the pennant. In 1951, Roy was the Most Valuable Player, beating Stan Musial by 19 points.

"It's a great honor," he said. "Imagine a fellow like me being ranked ahead of Musial in anything?"

Humility always was one of Campy's principal assets. His attitude is clearly illustrated by an incident that happened in his first season with the Dodgers. After his recall from St. Paul, he collected nine hits in his first 12 times at bat, including three home runs. In a doubleheader with Philadelphia, he caught the first game and in the dressing room afterward, manager Durocher told him he wouldn't start the second game. Roy looked up in surprise.



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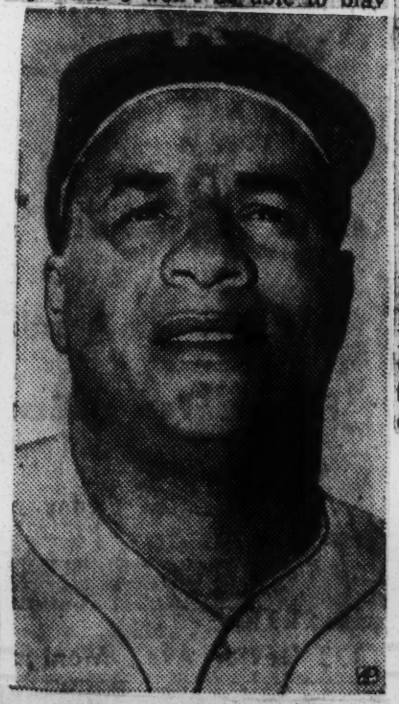

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In March, 1946, in response to an urgent telegram from Branch Rickey, the head of the Dodgers, Campy came home from the winter games in Venezuela and reported to Brooklyn. That spring, while Robinson drew most of the attention, Roy was quietly sent to the Dodgers' Class B ball club in Nashua, N.H. The manager there was Walter Alston, now manager of the Dodgers.

Campy finally became a Dodger in 1948 after spending a month in St. Paul. After hitting 13 home runs and batting .325 he was brought to Flatbush. Leo Durocher, then manager of the Dodgers, immediately put him to work. The Dodgers were in sixth place when Campy took over. They finished third.

In 1949, under the direction of manager Burt Shotton, Campy caught nearly all the games and the Dodgers won the pennant. In 1951, Roy was the Most Valuable Player, beating Stan Musial by 19 points.

"It's a great honor," he said. "Imagine a fellow like me being ranked ahead of Musial in anything?"

Humility always was one of Campy's principal assets. His attitude is clearly illustrated by an incident that happened in his first season with the Dodgers. After his recall from St. Paul, he collected nine hits in his first 12 times at bat, including three home runs. In a doubleheader with Philadelphia, he caught the first game and in the dressing room afterward, manager Durocher told him he wouldn't start the second game. Roy looked up in surprise.

"What's the matter?" he asked. "Did I do something wrong?"

'I'm Going to Make It'

Campy's Morale Is High Despite Slow Progress

Herald Tribune

GLEN COVE, N. Y., Apr. 10 (AP).—His progress is agonizingly slow but his morale is high.

Campanella

That is the condition today of Roy Campanella nearly 2½ months after his close brush with death in an auto accident not far from his Glen Cove home.

Still paralyzed from the lower abdomen down, the chunky, 36-year-old Dodger catching great lies strapped to a turning rack in his bed. The tracheotomy tube still is in his throat to help his respiration.

New York Times

A bulletin issued today by Community Hospital—the first since March 7—said Roy's general condition has remained the same since the last bulletin. Although he cannot move his fingers he still has slight movement in his wrists and can extend his arms. Bending at the elbow is good as are most shoulder movements.

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"His sense of feeling is at the lower abdomen level. His medical condition is satisfactory."

"His morale remains excellent and he listens to every baseball game that is being broadcast," the bulletin concluded.

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"Roy's making progress," said Campanella's wife, Ruthe. Mrs. Campanella sees Roy three times a day. On a Wednesday visit she was accompanied by Frank Scott, business agent for many major leaguers and a close friend of the Campanella family. He stayed with Campy for just 10 minutes.

"That fellow is a revelation," said Scott. "Campy is convinced he's going to be able to walk again some day. Throughout our conversation he kept saying 'I'm going to make it . . . the good Lord will see me through.' . . . Honest, he speaks with such faith and confidence that you get the feeling he will pull through."

IS CAMPY'S SUCCESSOR HERE?

A United Press photo snapped in spring training a year ago shows Los Angeles Dodgers' catcher Roy Campanella surrounded by aspirants to his job. With the critical injury suffered by the backstop in a Long Island automobile crash Tuesday the picture takes on added significance as the Dodgers ponder who will become the club's No. 1 receiver. Clockwise from lower left are Mike Napoli, Herb Olsen, John Roseboro, Jim Koranda, Joe Pignatano and Rube Walker.

Campanella Better And Resting More

GLEN COVE, N.Y., Jan. 30 (AP)—Further improvement in the condition of Roy Campanella, Dodger catcher who was injured in an automobile crash early Tuesday, was reported today. But his legs remained paralyzed and he still is on the critical list.

Fla. Times-Union 1-31-58

An afternoon bulletin issued at the hospital said Campanella had rested more during the day than he had last night, when he was reported to have been somewhat restless.

The bulletin said he had regained some feeling as far down as the abdomen, an indication of improvement. Earlier he had only been able to feel a pinch or jab on the upper chest, arms or hands. A Dodger spokesman said he was able to move his fingertips a little.

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Campanella continued to run a temperature slightly above normal but the hospital said this is expected.

Campanella suffered a broken neck when the car he was driving skidded on a wet, winding road and struck a telephone pole.

"Campy" In Slow Recovery After Near Fatal Wreck In Glen Cove, John Roseboro May Replace Him

Call Pilot Kansas City Mo. Jan 2-7-58

GLEN COVE, N. Y. — (INS) — Dodger catcher Roy Campanella still is making slow but steady progress along the road to recovery.

The 36-year-old backstop, who received a broken neck in an auto accident last Tuesday, was reported to be in "better" condition in Monday's medical bulletin from Glen Cove Community hospital.

The report said the paralysis affecting the baseball star since the accident "shows only slight improvement in the right arm" but that the "feeling" has improved.

The bulletin said his lung infection "is almost cleared" and his temperature "is slightly lower." The report added:

"He is eating pureed (strained) foods and enjoys it. He is much more cheerful and has been talking more.'

Dodger president O'Malley arrived at the hospital and said he wasn't "even thinking" about the possibility that Campanella's career may b over.

"All I'm interested in is Roy's recovery," he declared.

But it was not viewed likely that Campanella would ever play for the Dodgers again.

The catcher was preparing to start his 11th season for the Dodgers. He has signed for the 1958 season for an estimated $36,000. This was an approximate $6,000 cut from his 1957 salary and stemmed from his disappointing season in which he hit .242.

The stocky Campanella won the National League's most valuable player award in 1951, 1953 and 1955 and played in five world series for the Dodgers.

In 1951 he batted .325 and had 108 runs batted in, and in 1953 he hit .312 and had 41 homers and 142 RBI's. In 1955 Campy hit .318 and drove in 107 runs. Strangely, in the even number years, 1952, 1954 and 1956, the catcher's average dipped well under .300.

He has a lifetime mark of .276 with 203 homers.

Throughout his career the brilliant catcher has been bothered by hand ailments and since 1954 has had three operations on his hands.

Campanella, who was the first Negro to play in the American Association, came to the Dodgers in 1948. He has been a perennial member of the National League's All-Star team.

"The price tag on every catcher in the majors will go up 100 per cent now."

Campanella Improving; Body Still Paralyzed

GLEN COVE, N.Y., Jan. 29 (AP)—Dodger catcher Roy Campanella showed marked improvement today from his auto accident injuries. But his 215-pound body remained paralyzed from the effects of a broken neck.

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The baseball club, recently moved from Brooklyn to Los Angeles, issued a hospital bulletin that said:

Jacksonville Fla.

"Roy is considerably better. He has sensation in both arms and the upper chest but the paralysis is unchanged and he still is on the critical list."

The baseball star's wife, Ruthe, spent 2½ hours at his bedside but he slept throughout her visit.

Campanella was injured yesterday when his car skidded on a curve near his home here, overturned and crashed into a telephone pole. Rescuers had to use crowbars to get him out.

Two of the bones in his neck were broken. Surgeons said had the injury been an inch higher it would have killed Campanella.

While doctors termed the overall picture encouraging, they said it may be months—or conceivably years—before Campanella will be completely normal again. They are hopeful the paralysis will eventually disappear.

In any event, the Negro catcher's active baseball career appeared at an end. He is 36, a relatively advanced age in sports, and even with a quick recovery would have little time left to regain his playing skill.

Dr. Robert Sengstaken, who headed a seven-man team that operated on Campanella yesterday, said afterwards:

"He won't be able to play before a year and, in my opinion, he would be foolish if he continued playing baseball."

One of baseball's greats, Campanella holds the record for most home runs in one season by a catcher, 41, and the most runs batted in, 142. Both records were set in 1953.

Campanella was the National League's most valuable player in 1951, 1953 and 1955. He also represented his league in seven All-Star games.

His $42,500 salary in 1956 was the highest ever paid a Dodger. He signed a 1958 contract last November for $36,500 and was to have reported March 1 in Florida for spring training.

Campanella Continues To Improve

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Campanella suffered a broken neck when the car he was driving skidded on a wet, winding road and struck a telephone pole. He was pinned in the wreckage for a half hour before he could be removed. He was driving home from a late engagement in New York.

The 36 - year - old, 215-pound catcher underwent a 4½-hour operation to relieve pressure on a nerve. Doctors said the injury probably would have been fatal if the fracture had been an inch higher and this his thick, strong neck muscles may have saved him from death

The doctors, who are hopeful that the paralysis will disappear, believe it may be months or years before Campanella returns to normal. They consider it extremely unlikely that he ever will play baseball again.

May Never Walk Again, But—

Campy Remains Cheerful, Hopeful

Post Herald

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GLEN COVE, N. Y., Feb. 14 (AP)—Roy Campanella remains "cheerful and hopeful" in a hospital here although there is growing concern that he ever will be able to regain use of his legs.

When the roly-poly Dodger catcher was removed from an automobile wreckage Jan. 28 there was hope of full recovery because no visible damage was done to his spinal cord.

He suffered a broken neck and temporary paralysis. But there appeared no tear or break in the spinal cord which is part of the central nervous system.

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But after recovering sensation in the upper part of his body, Campanella's paralysis condition became stagnant. For days now he has had no sensation from the chest down.

Passage of the paralysis seems to have stopped.

A physician told The New York Post today:

"I cannot comment on the Campanella case specifically, but speaking generally I have never heard of a case where a patient's progress stopped, then suddenly resumed in a spurt. The progress is invariably gradual."

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The Dodger catcher is paralyzed from the chest down. He has some sensation in his arms and can move his fingers a little. But he cannot move his legs.

If the fading of paralysis has stopped permanently, Campanella will be bed-ridden for life. If it resumes, he will walk again.

Doctors say now they can only "sit and hope." Recovery of some patients in similar cases has taken years.

The catcher lies stretched on a curved bed in the corner of a hospital room. Two prongs jut from his shaved head. A large surgical bandage lies on the back of his neck.

Campanella can talk. Doctors and nurses say he is cheerful but he doesn't chat and joke in his normal fashion.

Mail is coming in bundles. Mrs. Campanella, Roy's wife, says she reads some letters to him but not all.

"It is amazing," Frank Gifford, the hospital administrator told The Post, "but the best way to describe him is cheerful. He is taking his plight cheerfully."

Campanella Paralyzed

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A gloomy medical bulletin was recently issued concerning the condition of a star baseballer, Roy Campanella. It was something of a surprise, for the tone of earlier reports indicated that hopes were high that Campanella would recover from his paralysis and maybe even play baseball again.

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The latest report stated that no improvement in the muscle strength of the big Negro catcher had been noted and that the nervous sensation that had returned to the left side of the body, as far down as the knee, had now receded to the groin.

In other words, progress toward recovery in this sphere had stopped and Campanella's condition had grown worse. Moreover, the longer there is no obvious improvement, the more serious the prospect for eventual recovery.

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Campanella is just one of thousands who are injured or killed in automobile accidents in this country each year. His case is tragic and highly publicized because he is a sports star. He lies now, with chances apparently dwindling, with a broken neck and his future earning ability gravely impaired.

Atlanta Jour.

The only consolation is that he is 37 years old and did not have many years left in the Major Leagues anyhow. Nevertheless, that is certainly a poor consolation. And Campanella's automobile accident should serve as a warning to all motorists.

A broken neck, or a broken back, or death, is waiting for you around some curve—in the road ahead. You either see it in time, or think about it in time, or suffer the consequences. And even if you are not at fault, the dangers of the highway are ever present.

Stay off them unless you have business that puts you there, and your chances of living to an old age, uninjured, will be enhanced.

Campy's Career May Be Over

Crash Leaves Dodger Star Paralyzed

BY WHITNEY MARTIN

GLEN COVE, N. Y., Jan. 28 (AP)—Roy Campanella's brilliant career as one of baseball's greatest catchers appeared at an end today. A grinding auto accident broke his neck and left him temporarily paralyzed.

A seven-man team of surgeons worked over the Negro star of the Dodgers for four hours and 30 minutes in an attempt to repair the damage to his husky frame and relieve paralysis from the chest down. The operation had been expected to take but two hours.

Afterwards, Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken, head of the surgical team, termed the operation a success and said the paralysis is expected to disappear. But it may be six weeks before Campanella is up and around.

Dr. Sengstaken said the injury came within an inch of killing the player.

The doctor did not rule out the possibility that Campanella might play baseball again. But the future, nevertheless, was bleak for the heaviest hitting catcher in the history of the sport.

At 36, Campanella already was considered by some observers to be over the hill—because of age and because of hand injuries that are a constant menace to a catcher's career. Thrice the National League's Most Valuable Player, Campanella had one of his poorer seasons last year.

The first doctor to reach Campanella, even as the big man lay trapped and moaning in the wreckage of his car, summed it up by saying:

"It doesn't look good for his baseball career."

Campanella's car skidded on wet pavement as he went into a dangerous S-curve about half a mile from his home here. He was driving back the 30 miles from New York to his North Shore Long Island home after a television appearance.

The car flipped over and crashed into a telephone pole. Rescuers had to use crowbars to get to Campanella.

"Get me out of here," the sport star moaned as Dr. W. S. Gurnee, attracted by the sound of the crash, hurried to the scene from his nearby home. The physician administered first aid and gave Campanella a pain-relieving shot.

Later, Campanella was conscious and coherent as he discussed with doctors the nature of his injury. When they advised surgery, he said:

"Whatever you fellows think is necessary."

The operation began at 8:30 a.m., five hours after the auto mishap. It was afternoon when he was wheeled out of the operating room.

The Dodgers—recently transferred from Brooklyn to Los Angeles—tried to take an optimistic official outlook. In Darrtown, Ohio, Manager Walter Alston said:

"Knowing him as I do, he'll be back as soon as he can, if at all possible. He's a very rugged type individual."

There were many baseball fans who thought that Campanella, more than any other Dodger, carried the team. When he was good, they were good—and when he had an off year, often the team's standing slumped. Other catchers are on the Dodger roster and ready to take over.

Career Highlights

1946 — Entered organized baseball with Nashua of New England League.

1947—Shifted to Montreal of International League by Dodger organization.

1948—Brought up to Brooklyn from St. Paul of American Assn.

1951 — Injured right hand but hit .325, won National League's Most Valuable Player award.

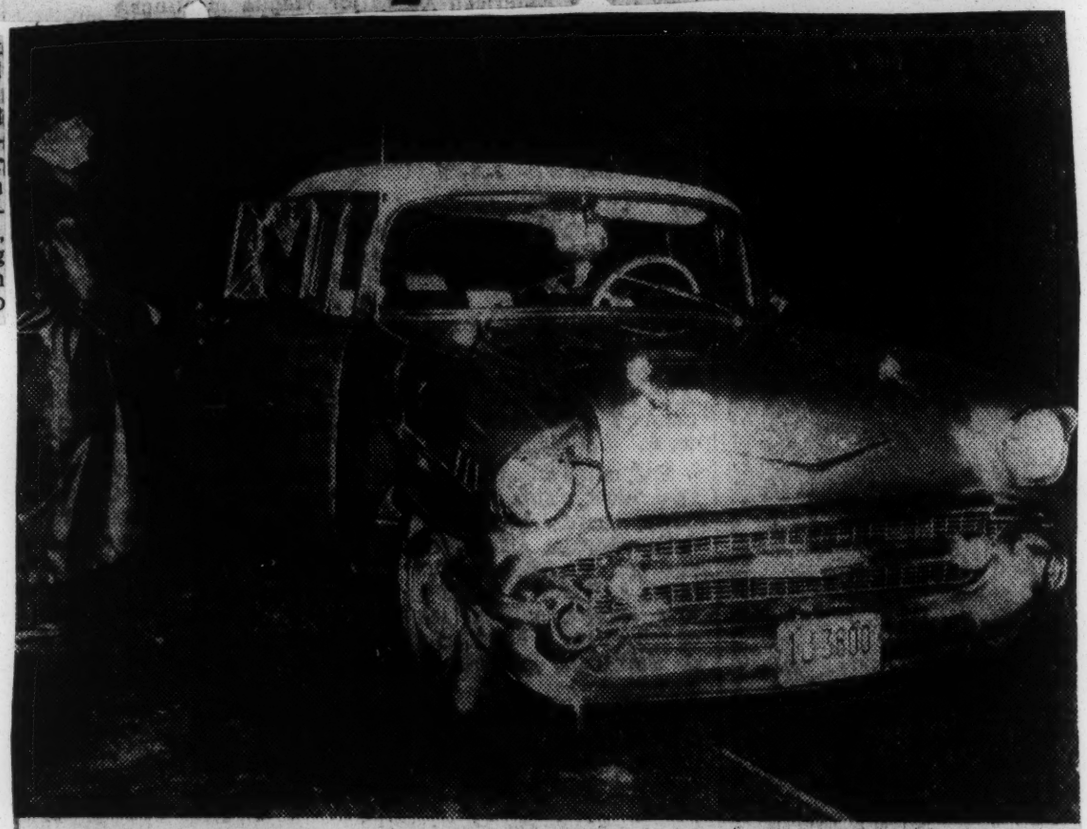
1952—Broke bones in right hand twice.

1953—set catcher's records of 41 homers and 142 runs-batted-in, again voted Most Valuable Player.

1955—Hit .318, won Most Valuable Award third time.

1956—Underwent surgery for third time on hands.

1957 — Completed 10th season in majors with lifetime batting average of .276 and 242 home runs.



The New York Times

SCENE OF ACCIDENT: Roy Campanella, Dodger catcher, was seriously injured in this car when it skidded and overturned on a slippery S-turn near his home in Glen Cove, L. I.

Campanella Fractures His Neck In Crash; Recovery Is Expected

Dodger Catcher Pinned Half Hour in Overturned Car —In Surgery 4 Hours

By ROY R. SILVER

Special to The New York Times.

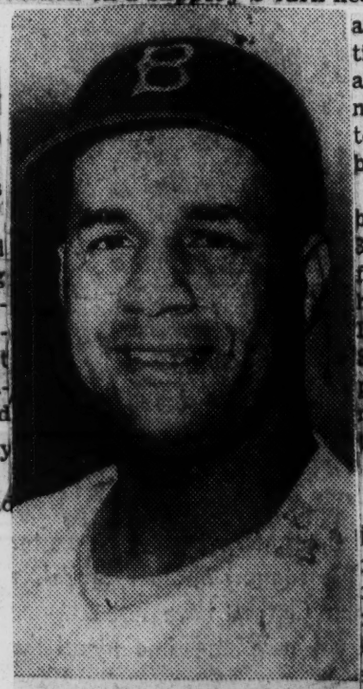
GLEN COVE, L. I., Jan. 28 —Roy Campanella, 36-year-old catcher for the Los Angeles Dodgers, was critically injured here early today when his automobile overturned on a slippery road.

A four-hour-fifteen-minute operation was performed later at the Community Hospital to repair two fractured vertebrae in his neck. He remained paralyzed from the shoulders down and was in critical condition. The prognosis, however was hopeful.

Mr. Campanella was reported to be conscious and resting comfortably following the surgery. He was expected to remain in the hospital at least six weeks. Physicians were unable to predict when he would be able to walk again or play ball.

A team of three surgeons and an anesthetist began the operation at 8:30 A. M., five hours after the accident. Mr. Campanella was conscious and agreed to the operation after he had been told what had to be done.

The operation was performed by Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken, 35-year-old attending physician for neurological surgery at the hospital. He was assisted by Dr. Gilbert Taylor and Dr. Stanley J. Makowski, orthopedic surgeons. Dr. John Fochtman administered the anesthesia.



Roy Campanella

Details of Injury

Dr. Sengstaken said the injury consisted of a fractured dislocation of the fifth and sixth cervical vertebrae, at the base of the neck. This is commonly known as a broken neck. The spinal cord was compressed, but otherwise undamaged.

A Washington — The removal of the posterior arches of the vertebrae—was performed to repair the fractures and dislocations. The procedure was complicated because of the thick neck and heavy muscles of the ballplayer, who is 5 feet 9½ inches tall and weighs about 225 pounds.

Dr. Sengstaken said that it was too early to determine when the paralysis would begin to dissipate but he "expected recovery to a normal state." Mr. Campanella retained some movement in both arms but was unable to manipulate his fingers.

The surgeon said that the injury would have been fatal had it occurred an inch higher. He said it could take "from two months to years" before the ballplayer would be on his feet again. At some time in his recovery he will probably have to wear a neck brace, the physician added.

Dr. Sengstaken said it could not be determined yet whether Mr. Campanella would require further surgery.

The accident occurred at 3:34 A. M. on a winding S-curve on Dosoris Lane, a mile and a half from Mr. Campanella's home here. He was returning alone in a rented car from a television appearance in New York last night.

The automobile, a 1957 sports sedan, was northbound and it apparently skidded on the wet pavement, turned over on its right side and crashed into a telephone pole.

Physician Hears Crash

The sound of the crash was heard by Dr. W. Spencer Gurnee, who lives a short distance away. Dr. Gurnee's wife called the police and the physician administered first aid and sedatives and told Mr. Campanella to remain quiet.

The ballplayer was pinned in the wrecked vehicle for thirty minutes before the doors could be pried open and he could be released. He was taken to the hospital here in a Nassau County Police Department ambulance, where he was admitted at 4:12 A. M.

He was conscious when admitted to the hospital and complained of back aches. After he had been X-rayed, surgeons were called in.

The ballplayer's wife Ruth arrived at the hospital with a family friend shortly after he had been admitted and spoke with him. She said that her husband moaned and appeared to be paralyzed. She returned again later when her husband was in the operating room.

The Campanellas live at Salt Spray, a $40,000 ten-room ranch house on Eastland Drive, East Island, Glen Cove. They moved here three years ago from St. Albans, Queens. They have five children.

Dodger officials were notified of the accident early this morning. Emil (Buzzy) Bavasi, the club's vice president, was called in California, where the team will play this year. Matt Burns, Harry Walsh and Lee Scott, other club officials, were at the hospital during the day.

Walter F. O'Malley, president of the National League ball club, and Dr. Herbert Fett, team orthopedist, arrived at the hospital at 1:25 o'clock. Mr. O'Malley came from his home in Amityville.

They were briefed on Mr. Campanella's condition and went to see him in the recovery room, where they spoke to him for a few minutes.

Mr. O'Malley, Dr. Fett and Dr. Sengstaken held a press conference later for fifty reporters, photographers and newsreel cameramen.

In describing the operation as a success, Mr. O'Malley said that "the prayers of a great many people have been answered." He termed the operation as "a remarkable medical job."

He parried questions on Mr. Campanella's future as a ball player, saying: "We are not at all concerned or interested in what his future in baseball may be. We are only interested in his recovery."

Played Ball in School

Mr. Campanella was born in Homestead, Pa. He attended the Simon Gratz High School in North Philadelphia for three years, where he played baseball, football and basketball and took part in track events. While in school he caught for the Bacharach Giants, a Negro team that toured the suburbs on week-ends.

After leaving school he played in the Negro National League for the Baltimore Elite Giants. While with the team in this country and in Cuba and Puerto Rico, Mr. Campanella played ball for all but two weeks in the year and caught 220 games a year.

Mr. Campanella was deferred from service in World War II and played with the Monterey Club in the Mexican League. Branch Rickey, general manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1946, signed him to play with Nashua, N. H., in the New England League. A year later he played with Montreal in the International League.

He joined the Dodgers in Florida in the spring of 1948 and was then sent to St. Paul, in the American Association. He was returned to Brooklyn in June of that year and made his debut against tthe Giants on July 2.

He was named the league's Most Valuable Player in 1951, 1953 and 1955. He has a lifetime batting average of .279. Among the records for catchers he established in the major leagues was the hitting of forty-one home runs in 1953. A year later he underwent surgery for injuries to his left hand.

Campanella Continues To Be Paralyzed

GLEN COVE, N. Y., Feb. 19 (AP)—Roy Campanella remains paralyzed from the hips down and the hospital says the longer the condition remains unchanged the less one can expect for the future.

"We are still hopeful that the patient's paralysis will improve," read a statement by Harry C. F. Gifford, administrator of the Community Hospital at Glen Cove, N. Y.

Campanella has been a patient since Jan. 28 when the catcher for the Los Angeles Dodgers suffered a broken neck in an auto accident.

Gifford's statement, issued after consultation with the various doctors who have been associated with the case, made no mention of Campanella's chances of playing baseball again.

"The consensus remains that specific predictions can not be made at this time as to the degree of neurological improvement," it read. "However, the longer the paralysist remains unchanged, the less one can expect for the future."

The bulletin reported the 37-year-old athlete was showing great interest in his surroundings, listened to the radio and soon would be watching television.

"Roy Campanella's courageous spirit and his morale still are high," it reported.

Roy Campanella's Outlook: He May Never Walk Again

NEW YORK—While the doctors are not committing themselves, the possibility of Roy Campanella ever walking again appears to be diminishing with each passing day.

His doctor, Robert W. Sengstaken, of course is still optimistic. He says it's too early now to tell whether the Los Angeles Dodgers' catching star, injured in an automobile accident, Jan. 28, will ever walk out of Glen Cove, L. I. Community Hospital.

DESPITE DR. SENGSTAKEN'S words of encouragement, truth of the matter is that with each passing day, while Campy fails to improve from the paralysis that has affected him from the waist down, hope of his walking diminishes.

Following Campy's crash, doctors found no outward sign of damage to the spinal cord. There was a broken vertebrae in the neck but there was no tear, no break, no hemorrhage to be seen on the spinal cord.

Since the spinal cord, if damaged, cannot be repaired it was an encouraging sign. For in cases of this type, when there is no damage, the functions of the body soon return. What at first appears to be an injury actually is some sort of shock. Once the shock passes, the spinal cord functions and the paralysis fades.

In Campanella's case doctors were hopeful that this would be the way things would work out. That's the way Campy's recovery started. For several days after the accident there were hopeful bulletins from the hospital as the paralysis began to fade. But, for the past week or 10 days, this progress has stopped.

As a result, with Campy having some sensation in the arms, which he can move a little, although he cannot move his fingers at all, all the doctors can do is wait.

IF THE fading of the paralysis has stopped completely then Roy Campanellia will remain bed-ridden and paralyzed for the rest of his life. If he should resume his first progress then hope still remains that he might walk out of Community Hospital.

One doctor, who wished to remain unidentified, said, "I cannot comment on the Campanella case specifically, but speaking generally I have never heard of a case where a patient's progress stopped, then suddenly resumed in a spurt. The progress is invariably gradual."

The discouraging halt in Campanella's progress does not mean his case his hopeless. Similar patients have taken long periods of uphill fighting before recovery. Some have even taken years. But the longer the recovery period, the less chance of total recovery.

Right now one of the most encouraging signs in Campanella's long fight has been his personality. He has been described by hospital attendants as "cheerful. He is taking his plight like the fighter he always was on the baseball field."

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WHILE HE can't walk, Campy can talk and he doesn't hesitate in doing so. That has been an encouraging sign to doctors and to his family.

Leg Paralysis Clouds Future Of Campanella

GLEN COVE, N. Y., Feb. 20 (AP).—The future of Roy Campanella remained clouded today.

Time loomed as an all-important factor in determining whether the Los Angeles Dodgers' catcher will recover completely from a broken neck which he suffered in an automobile accident January 28.

The 37-year-old Campanella, a patient in Glen Cove Community Hospital, still is paralyzed from the hips down. His condition is unchanged and his muscle strength has not improved since his admission three weeks ago.

A statement issued yesterday by Harry C. F. Gifford, administrator of the hospital, said, "The longer the paralysis remains unchanged, the less one can expect for the future."

Roy Campanella is comforted by ambulance attendants as they place him in ambulance at scene of accident. Photo from Drennan.

ROY CAMPANELLA.

World-Telegram New York N.Y.

Dodger Star In L.I. Crash On Way Home

Undergoes Surgery For 4½ Hours, Condition Critical

By ALEX BENSON,
World-Telegram Staff Writer.

GLEN COVE, L. I., Jan. 28.—Roy Campanella, 36, the great Dodger catching star who three times was voted the National League's most valuable player, broke his neck early today in an auto accident.

He was taken to Glen Cove Community Hospital where a team of seven surgeons began operating on him shortly after 8 a.m. The burly ball player, under a general anesthetic, was on the operating table for four and one half hours and was wheeled out shortly before 1 p.m.

The hospital did not disclose if he had suffered any other serious injuries beyond the broken neck. His condition was critical.

Won't Name Surgeons.

The hospital declined to name the team of surgeons, but it was learned the chief surgeon was Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken, listed in the hospital's directory as attending physician, section of neurological surgery.

A nurse who emerged from the operating room just before Campy was wheeled to a recovery room, prior to his removal to a permanent room, said: "He's very much alive. He's doing fine."

Walter O'Malley, Dodger president, and Dr. Herbert C. Fett Sr., the team's physician, arrived at the hospital early this afternoon and were to hold a press conference at which, it was expected, details of Camp's injuries and his condition would be given out.

Visited by Wife.

Mrs. Ruthe Campanella, the player's wife, visited him immediately after the accident, then returned home. At 9:35 a.m., when she came back to the hospital, she told reporters she had spoken earlier to Roy.

"He just moaned for a long time," she said. "He's paralyzed from the chest down."

Matt Burns, supervisor of the Dodgers' eastern division, was one of the first club officials to reach the hospital after the accident.

"Is there any possibility that Campy will die?" a reporter asked.

"Oh, Lord, no!" Mr. Burns said. "We'll just have to wait till this operation is completed to see how things stand."

Campy was driving through a dangerous S-curve in Dosoris Lane at 3:34 a.m. bound for his home in Eastland Dr., Morgan's Island, L. I., when the rented car skidded on the wet paving, slid off the left side of the road and crashed into a telephone pole.

Gets First Aid.

The crash occurred directly in front of the home of Dr. W. Spencer Gurnee, 79 Dosoris Lane. The physician's wife telephoned the Glen Cove police while her husband hurried outside to give the ball player first aid.

Crashing into the pole, the 1957 Chevrolet sports sedan in which Campy had hired from the Curry Rent-A-Car System Inc., 728 Central Ave., Scarsdale, had rebounded, spun around in the opposite direction and came to a halt on its side.

The 215-pound Dodger backstop was thrown from the driver's seat and lay "crumpled up like a pretzel," as Dr. Gurnee later said, in the seat alongside.

Four Cops Arrive.

Mrs. Gurnee's telephone call brought four policemen to the scene. One cop got into the back of the car and held Campy while the car was righted.

Thirty minutes passed from the moment of the accident until the big player was released. Dr. Gurnee gave him an injection to ease his pain. Campy, the doctor said, apparently didn't even feel the needle.

Campy was then rushed to the Glen Cove hospital. Police later picked up his wife and took her to the hospital.

Miss Cynthia Mason, Campy's secretary, later told reporters the ball player had taken his station wagon to Manhattan for repairs yesterday. Campy, she said, had been in his Harlem liquor store until around 12:30 a.m., a half hour after its closing.

Returns to Store.

Earlier in the evening, she said, he had gone downtown to appear on a TV show on behalf of a YMCA fund raising campaign, but it had then been suggested that he defer his appearance until next week. He had agreed to the postponement and had returned to the store.

There was no immediate explanation of where he had been between the time he left the store and the time of the accident three hours later. The Campanella home is a $50,000 house in a real-estate development on the old J. P. Morgan estate.

Signed for L.A.

The powerfully built and long-popular Campy, who had played in five World Series, had been nagged during much of his baseball career by injuries, chiefly to his catching hand. His 1957 season was not a good one. Nonetheless, he signed a 1958 contract to play with the Dodgers in their new Los Angeles home for $36,000.

Baseball people had speculated a great deal about his future. There had been talk he would be traded or sold.

Campy was preparing to go to Los Angeles, where he had taken a tentative lease on a new home.

Father of Six.

He was due to report for spring training at the Dodgers' camp in Vero Beach, Fla., March 1.

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THERAPY TO START FOR CAMPANELLA

Paralyzed Catcher Is Moved to Bellevue—Odds on His Walking Again 'Slim'

Roy Campanella, the paralyzed Los Angeles Dodgers catcher, was moved yesterday to New York University-Bellevue Medical Center to begin treatment that will determine if he ever will walk again.

The odds are against the 36-year-old athlete, two physicians indicated. But they said he was "in excellent spirits and anxious to start his rehabilitation program."

There is no way to tell how far he will come back," Dr. Howard A. Rusk told newsmen at the Dodgers' old Brooklyn office. "This program will take many, many months." Dr. Rusk is director of the Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at the center and associate editor of The New York Times.

"Roy remains essentially a quadraplegic," Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken reported. Strictly speaking a quadraplegic cannot use his arms or legs.

However, the doctors found some hope in Mr. Campanella's ability to flex his shoulders and elbows slightly. His wrist and finger action was weak.

No Gain in Month

Although the stocky player showed no improvement in the last month, the doctors decided that this was the time to begin the treatment. He had been in Glen Cove, L. I., Community Hospital since last Jan. 28, when he was injured in an automobile accident.

Dr. Sengstaken is the surgeon who repaired two fractured vertebrae at the base of the catcher's neck.

Mr. Campanella has "no muscle function below the arms" and only "intermittent sensation down to the groin," Dr. Rusk said. The athlete was taken by ambulance to the institute.

Therapists at the center will train the arm that was the scourge of National League base runners to hold a toothbrush and a razor. The first step, Dr. Rusk said, will be to find out what the patient can do for himself. Then will come a planned program of exercise—a few minutes at first, increasing gradually up to five hours a day.

A neck brace will be made and a tiltboard put under Mr. Campanella to redevelop his ability to sit up. After he regains this function, which may take several weeks, he may be allowed to sit in a wheel chair in his room.

Refuses to Be Photographed

Dr. Rusk indicated that chances were not bright that Mr. Campanella would walk again "unless he comes back a lot more than he has so far."

Mr. Campanella is somewhat reconciled to his plight, Dr. Sengstaken said. The athlete, however, refused to be photographed at the hospital. He said he did not want his six children to see him in his condition.

Start Campanella Rehabilitation

GLEN COVE, N. Y., — (INS) — Roy Campanella, paralyzed since his neck was broken in an auto accident Jan. 28, will soon be ready to start a rehabilitation program.

That decision was made Friday after a consultation between Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken Campanella's attending physician, and Dr. Howard A. Rusk, director of physical medicine and rehabilitation at the New York University Medical Center.

A statement issued by Glen Cowe Community hospital, where the Los Angeles Dodger catcher has been since his accident, said the two doctors "agreed that the time was approaching when Campanella will be ready to start a rehabilitation program."

The hospital statement added: "Certain further tests and examinations" were being made to determine when he will be transferred to the N.Y.U. Bellevue Medical Center.

Changes Hospital—

Campy Begins Rehabilitation

NEW YORK, May 5 (AP)—Roy Campanella was transferred today from Glen Cove Hospital to the Rusk Institute in New York City to begin a long rehabilitation schedule which doctors hope will result in his being able to walk again.

The announcement was made by Dr. Howard Rusk, in charge of the institution, at a press conference held at the Dodgers' offices in Brooklyn. The star Los Angeles catcher, hospitalized since Jan. 28, when he was critically injured in an auto accident, remains a quadriplegic case. He is paralyzed from the shoulders down.

Campanella is expected to remain at Rusk Institute for about a year, during which time he will undergo various exercises to increase movement in his arms and to induce movement in his legs and other parts of his body.

"It is too early to give a definite prognosis as to whether Roy will recover fully," said Dr. Rusk. "It's also not possible to tell how much movement will return.

Before World War II, a patient of this type was regarded as hopeless. Nothing could be done for him and he remained in bed the rest of his life. A great deal has been accomplished since then.

"Of the 300 to 400 cases that I've been connected with since then, 75 per cent, though still paralyzed, were able to return to normal functions. Some were able to walk again. Right now it is impossible to tell."

Campanella's rehabilitation program will begin in about a week.

His fractured neck, almost completely healed following an emergency operation three months ago, will be placed in a brace and he eventually will be placed in a wheel chair.

Dr. Robert W. Sengstaken, who performed the laminectomy (neck operation) and has personally handled Campanella's case ever since, attended the press conference.

"Roy can move his shoulders very well," he said. "There is weak movement in his wrists but no muscle function below his arms. He has intermittent sensation down to his groins. His spirit, however, is very high and he is wonderfully co-operative. His physical condition is good. He is very anxious to get started on the rehabilitation program."

Dr. Rusk said the rehabilitation program will include use of special devices to help the patient's hand function, such as shaving and feeding himself.

"We call it a self-help device," the doctor said. "It is an elastic apparatus designed to accelerate movement of the limbs as well as to prevent softening of the bones."

Campanella has lost 15 pounds during his confinement. He is still carried on the Dodger roster although he is on the disabled list.

While Campanella has made progress during his confinement, the progress has been slow, too slow for encouragement.

"It is not a good sign," Dr. Sengstaken said. "We would like to have continued progressive movement.

"We have seen signs that are favorable. How long it will take or how far he will progress, we can't say. We have seen similar patients who have taken about a year."

Asked point blank whether Campanella will ever be able to walk again, Dr. Rusk said:

"He has to gain more function from his triceps muscle. If he gets back no more movement than he has now, he won't be able to walk.

"One thing is very much in his favor, though. I've never seen a patient of this type in better condition upon coming to this institution. His spirit, attitude and morale is very high. He is eager to help himself. That's bound to be a big factor toward his eventual recovery."

Great Catcher Critically Hurt

Campanella Of Dodgers Suffers Broken Neck

GLEN COVE, N. Y. (AP)— Los Angeles Dodger catcher Roy Campanella, a diamond stalwart for many a season, suffered a fractured neck early today when his car skidded, overturned and crashed into a pole. His condition was termed critical and an operation was begun.

Campanella, conscious but apparently paralyzed from a pinched nerve in his spinal cord, discussed the situation calmly with doctors. Told an immediate operation was believed needed, he replied:

"Whatever you fellows think is necessary."

The operation was described as a laminectomy, a procedure to relieve pressure from the fracture on the spinal cord. A spokesman at Community Hospital here said this was necessary before it could be determined whether any permanent injury had been sustained. No other injury was immediately apparent.

Seven Surgeons

The operation was begun by a team of seven surgeons at 8:30 a.m. and was expected to last about two hours.

Campanella's automobile accident occurred at 3:30 a.m. on a Glen Cove street not for from his home. He was pinned in the wreckage for half an hour before emergency workers could free him.

The word was immediately relayed to Dodger officials in Los Angeles, where the club was recently moved from Brooklyn, and club vice president Buddy Bavasi voiced great concern over the ace catcher's latest misfortune.

The 36-year-old Campanella, who had been beset by injuries of one kind or another during his long baseball career, was returning alone to his home here after a New York television appearance when the mishap occurred.

Great Noise

The crash made noise so great that a number of persons rushed from their homes in the vicinity to investigate. Among them was a physician, Dr. W. S. Gurnee.

Dr. Gurnee gave Campanella an injection but said later the baseball player felt no sensation from the needle and that "it doesn't look good for his baseball career."

Police informed Campanella's wife at home, and then took her to the hospital. The couple have six children, ranging in age from 4 to 18.

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"Get me out of here," the sport star moaned as Dr. W. S. Gurnee, attracted by the sound of the crash, hurried to the scene from his nearby home. The physician administered first aid and gave Campanella a pain-relieving shot.

Later, Campanella was conscious and coherent as he discussed with doctors the nature of his injury. When they advised surgery, he said:

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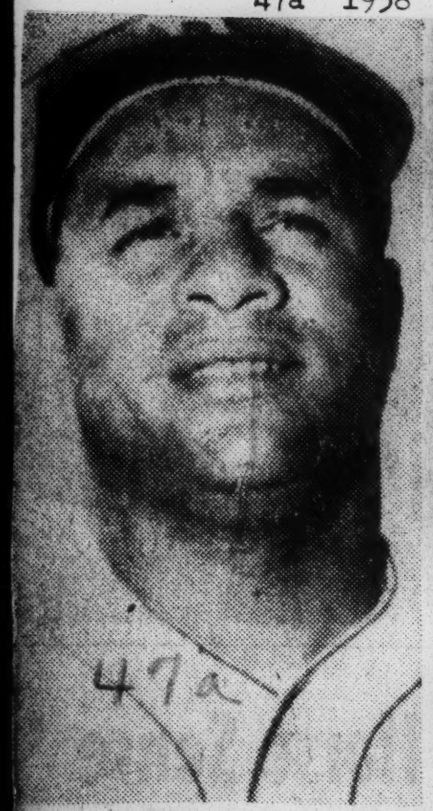

ROY CAMPANELLA HURT SERIOUSLY IN AUTO CRASH— Catcher Roy Campanella (left) of the Los Angeles baseball team, formerly the Brooklyn Dodgers, was injured seriously Jan. 28 in an automobile accident at Glen Cove, N. Y. His car skidded and crashed into a pole near his home on Long Island just outside New York City. At right, Campanella lies face down on a stretcher as attendants prepare to put him in an ambulance at the scene of the accident. He was pinned in the wreckage for half an hour before emergency rescue workers could free him. His neck was fractured and he was taken to a hospital for an operation to relieve pressure from the fracture on the spinal cord (AP Wirephoto).

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"Campy" Goes Home

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New York N.Y.

The Campanella case has more than its immediate significance. Roy is something of a symbol, now, to all those who are fighting their way back from seemingly overwhelming disaster. He has shown that it can be done. He is a personal symbol, of course, because of his great good humor, his magnificent courage, and his record as an outstanding athlete. Tragedy struck a man who was already much in the public eye and high in the public esteem.

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But there is more to it than that. The magnificent treatment that saved his life in the first place and that now has placed him on the way to fuller recovery is part of a great program of rehabilitation that is steadily expanding. What was done for "Campy" at Bellevue Center can be done for others, both there and throughout the world.

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It is doubtful that the doctors will often get as good a patient as Roy. They will never get a better one. But they and he, working together, have demonstrated how greatly valor can be the better part of wisdom. Miracles can happen. Brave men can still live if they have the will. "Campy" has gone home, and he has come home to all of us.

Happy Day: After nine months in hospitals following a paralyzing automobile accident, former Dodger catcher ROY CAMPANELLA, 36, was permitted to return to his wife and six children at Glen Cove, N.Y., for outpatient treatment. Campanella's doctor told the ballplayer one night for recovery from paralysis has inspired other paraplegics, that he could expect "further improvement." Delighted, Campanella celebrated at a New York night club, where the customers gave him a standing ovation when he entered in his wheel chair.

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The fact that Campanella, a squat 215 pounds, has heavy neck muscles probably helped save his life. However, they also caused the operating team to take some additional time.

O'MALLEY IN TOUCH

Dodgers President Walter O'Malley, who is keeping in constant touch with the hospital, refused even to discuss the possibility of acquiring a new catcher.

"We're not even thinking of Roy's future in baseball," O'Malley said. All we're thinking of is his recovery and a return to normal life. I guess it was touch-and-go for him. Until they opened up the area entirely, they could not tell whether the nerves were completely severd or not."

Even if Campanella recovered in a year, doctors said, he would have to take it easy, and the hard fact is that athletes crowding 40 rarely come back.

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Dodger Ace Gets Better Day By Day

GLEN COVE, N. Y. — Roy Campanella was reported to be "considerably improved" Friday, and the Dodger catcher showed signs that strength and movement are returning to his arms and hands.

Although the 36-year-old Campanella's legs remained paralyzed and his condition still was listed as critical, his physicians reported he was making steady, encouraging progress and was "somewhat better."

He is now able to move his arms and fingertips slightly.

A medical bulletin issued by Community hospital Thursday night, said that the burly backstop, who suffered a broken neck in an automobile accident Tuesday morning, was resting comfortably and that "strength and movement are beginning to return to his hands."

FEELING RETURNS

This followed an earlier report that the three-time winner of the National League's most valuable player award had feeling in his arms, hands and upper chest.

Dr. Robert E. Sengstaken, one of the neurologists who operated on Campanella, examined the Los Angeles Dodger star three times and reported after each examination that there had been improvement.

While all indications were hopeful that the paralysis was losing its grip, there was no definite word as to when Campanella might hope to walk again or if he ever would play baseball again.

Dodger President Walter O'Malley, who said he will remain in New York until Campanella is out of danger, assured the catcher his future is secure even if he is unable to play.

"We'll take care of Roy," O'Malley said. "Our only concern is his well being."

Campanella's wife, Ruthe, the only person permitted to visit him, said her husband was in good spirits.

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"He told me not to worry and that he will be all right," she said.

Harold Gifford, administrator at the hospital, said that hundreds of telegrams and orders of flowers were flowing into the hospital to cheer up the genial ball player.

One of the well-wishing telegrams was from President Eisenhower and Gifford reported that Campanella also received get-well wires from Vice President Richard M. Nixon and New York Gov. Averell Harriman.

CAR HIT POLE

The easy-going catcher was under the knife for four hours and 20 minutes after his car skidded, struck a light pole, and overturned while he was driving to his palatial shore-front home in Glen Cove, Long Island, Tuesday morning.

Campanella was pinned in the wreckage "like a pretzel" for 45 minutes and missed instant death "by an inch," according to Dr. Sengstaken. Roy suffered a dislocation of the fifth and sixth cervical vertebrae. "If it had been numbers three and four, a matter of one inch, he would have been killed instantly," the doctor said.

Campy, who will be hospitalized at least six weeks, was preparing to start his 11th season for the Dodgers. He had signed his 1958 contract for an estimated $36,000, a cut of $6,000 from the '57 season in which he batted a disappointing .242.

Campanella Receives Job Offer From Harriman as Boxing Aide

By FARNSWORTH FOWLE

An old Roy Campanella fan is arranging a new job in the sports world for the Dodger catcher, hospitalized since Jan. 28 when an automobile accident broke two vertebrae in his neck.

Governor Harriman disclosed yesterday that in a few weeks "Campy" might become a Deputy Commissioner of the State Athletic Commission, which has jurisdiction over professional boxing and wrestling. The Governor made the offer during a half-hour visit yesterday morning with Mr. Campanella in his room at the Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, New York University-Bellevue Medical Center.

Since the patient's transfer to the institute May 5, he has been following a program of exercises to recover as much as possible from the back paralysis resulting from the accident. When he was admitted to the institute, he had no muscle function below the arms and only intermittent sensation down to the groin.

"He told me he's interested in the spot," the Governor said in the lobby of the institute, at 400 East Thirty-fourth Street. "He shook hands, and his face looked just as well as if he was going out to play ball."

Dr. Donald A. Covalt, associate director of the institute, said that Mr. Campanella's spirits had perked up at the Governor's offer.

He's one of the best patients we've ever had here—a tremendous spirit," the doctor added. "Tomorrow he'll sit up for the first time in a wheel chair, with a head brace for his weakened neck."

Mr. Harriman said that the deputy commissionership was "a job a man can fit into his other activities." He said that the chairman of the commission, Julius Helfand, was "enthusiastic" about offering the post to Mr. Campanella.

When Commissioner Helfand gets back from a trip to Europe, the Governor said, he will discuss details with Mr. Campanella.

A Deputy Commissionership has been vacant since Jan. 15. The pay ranges from $7,000 to $8,000, state officials said.

Governor Harriman said he had been "a Roy Campanella fan" ever since he began playing for the Dodgers, ten years ago this summer. He praised him for holding the team together, for taking the good and the bad without excuses, and predicted:

"I think he'll bring that same spirit to boxing."

The Governor said he had lost interest in the Dodgers since they moved from Brooklyn to Los Angeles but he was "still loyal to the players."

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CAMPANELLA AT GAME—Roy Campanella, paralyzed Los Angeles Dodgers catcher, is accompanied by his wife, Ruth, at yesterday's Milwaukee-New York World Series game in Yankee Stadium. Cheers went up as Campy was carried to a box seat behind home plate near the Yankee dugout. With Campanella are his two children, Princes, right, and Tony.

Campanella Returns to Glen Cove Home; Paralyzed Catcher to Continue Therapy

Roy Campanella went home to his family in Glen Cove, L. I., last night, after more than nine months in hospitals.

The 36-year-old former Dodger catcher was paralyzed after two vertebrae in his neck were broken in an automobile accident near his home on Jan. 28.

Since May 5 he has been under treatment at the Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at the New York University-Bellevue Medical Center. Mostly he has followed exercises to restore feeling and movement to his arms and fingers.

Dr. Edward W. Lowman, clinical director at the institute and Mr. Campanella's personal physician since he entered there, described his patient's improvement:

"Mr. Campanella has progressed sufficiently in his rehabilitation so that he was released today from the institute to live at home with his family.

"Further improvement in his condition is still to be expected, particularly with regard to the strengthening of his arms and use of his fingers.

"He will continue his treatment as an outpatient for several months to come, commuting to the institute from Glen Cove three days a week for necessary therapy."

Mr. Campanella said he was delighted. He thanked "the doctors, nurses and just everybody at the institute for having made this progress possible."

He also thanked people everywhere "whose well wishes and prayers gave me just the encouragement I needed."

"I feel very good mentally and physically," he continued. "I'm not going to lose what I've gained, and I plan to work as hard as ever on my rehabilitation program."

Still wearing a head brace and confined to a wheel chair, Mr. Campanella was accompanied home by his wife, Ruth, and a bundle of get-well gifts. Their six children were at home.

Campanella leaves hospital to join his family again

NEW YORK — Roy Campanella went back home to Glen Cove last week to live with his family for the first time since he received a broken neck in an auto accident on a slippery road last January.

Since May, however, he has been a patient at the New York University Institute of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, where a long campaign has been waged to overcome the paralysis which has resulted from the accident.

While greatly improved, Campy is still far from cured and will return to the hospital three days a week for further therapy.

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Among the St. Louis Cardinal hopefuls are, from left to right: Frank Barnes, Curtis Flood, Sam Jones and Joe Taylor. Barnes and Jones are pitchers and Flood and Taylor are outfielders. Cardinal Manager Fred Hutchinson is banking heavily on Jones' 1958 performance.

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Doby signs Bird pact

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Centerfielder Larry Doby signed his 1958 contract with the Baltimore Orioles today (Friday).

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The 33 - year - old slugger, entering his eleventh year in the American League, was the star performer at an afternoon press conference at Memorial Stadium. He and assistant general manager Jack Dunn made the announcement jointly that terms had been reached.

No salary figure was revealed, but it is the consensus that the hard-hitting outfielder will receive in the neighborhood of $36,000.

Doby was plagued by injuries last year and played in only 120 games with the Chicago White Sox. He reports that he "feels fine" and expects to be in top condition when the Orioles report to spring training at Scottsdale, Ariz., later this month.

Baltimore

LARRY MOTORED down from his Paterson, N.J., home Thursday evening, spent the night here with friends and was on hand for a preconference discussion with Dunn this morning.

For his ten years of major league play, begun in 1948 with the Cleveland Indians, Doby boasts a lifetime batting average of .280. He has hit 240 homers and knocked in 963 runs.—SAM LACY.

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IN BALTIMORE-CLEVELAND TRADE—Outfielder Larry Doby, left, and Pitcher Don Ferrarese, right, were traded by the Baltimore Orioles to the Cleveland Indians March 31 for outfielder Gene Woodling, second from left, and pitcher Leo Daly, fourth from left.

Doby Is Back At First Love

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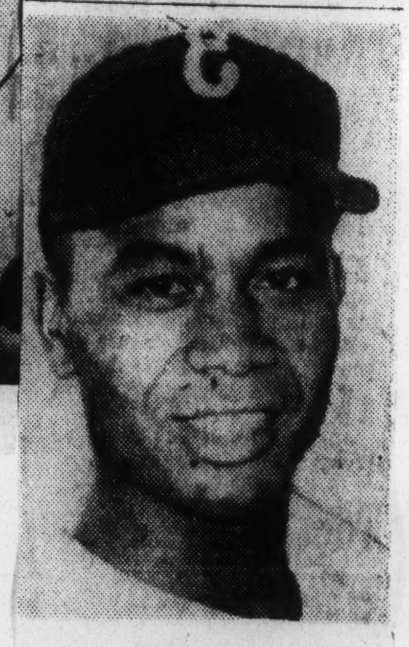
Tucson, Ariz.— Larry Doby of baseball fame is proving to be a much moved around player these days. Before the teams went to training camps it was announced that Doby had been traded to the



LARRY DOBY

Baltimore Orioles by the Chicago White Sox.

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With the training camps nearly ready to break up it has been announced that Body has been traded by the Orioles to Cleveland, the team he broke into major league baseball with.

In the latest trade, Doby was part of a five man deal that sent Don Ferrarese, a southpaw to Cleveland with him. Baltimore got Gene Woodling, Dick Williams, outfielders and pitcher Bud Daley

Chilled Dodgers Wonder Whether It's Vero or Zero Beach

First Warm-Up Has Two-Fold Purpose in Florida Camp

By GORDON S. WHITE JR.
Special to The New York Times.

VERO BEACH, Fla., Feb. 21 — A search of much more immediate importance than the one for playing talent got under way early today, the opening day of "winter" practice for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The twenty-two players and the other persons here were looking for portable heaters.

Edgar Allen, the supervisor of Dodgertown facilities, gave out the word at noon that "there wasn't an electric heater to be had in Florida."

This is the tenth year of Dodger training at Vero Beach and it is the coldest of the ten. An outdoor thermometer read 38 degrees at 6 A. M. But to most persons present it felt a lot colder indoors.

This camp, the largest in baseball, is on the site of a former naval air station. The living quarters are two barracks structures that were built with normal Florida weather in mind—the walls are thin and there is no central heating system. There is good reason to have a heater in each of the 231 rooms on the base.

Hunter Is Successful

Allen had some success in the big hunt of the day. He came up with a couple of large oil heaters that are made to stand in a room and circulate warm air over a large area. One was installed in the players' dressing room and the other will be put in the 30-by-40-foot main lobby, which is in the middle of the largest barracks.

When the lobby has heat, perhaps the scuttlebutt sessions such as the one that took place last night will last a bit longer. All of the athletes who arrived yesterday wanted to swap the winter stories over a game of checkers in the lobby or while watching a game of pool. The first gatherings that were held broke up quickly, with members going in search of a warm-up.

The players on hand, with one exception, are either pitchers or catchers. Carl Furillo, the right fielder who usually likes to arrive early, is here for a head start. The estimated day of arrival for infielders and outfielders is next Thursday.

Some pitchers and catchers haven't arrived because of travel difficulties. Jackie Collum, the little left-hander, hasn't arrived because he hasn't signed and is officially classified as a holdout.

Afternoon Drill Held

Manager Walter Alston sent the players through warm-up work for about two and a half hours during the afternoon. In the past the Dodgers have worked out in the morning here. Alston changed plans because of the cold weather.

That was not the only change apparent at this camp. The team that has moved across the country has largely the same men wearing Dodger uniforms but the caps with the letters L A gave an indication that these were not the Dodgers of old.

Alston, in referring to the conditions the men were under, said, "I'm not worried too much about the players getting sick from working out in the open. However, they've got to dress warmly after their shower to prevent trouble."

Alston gave a boost to California weather while conferring with his batterymen before the first workout. He pointed out that when the season opens the entire pitching staff would have to be in top shape, not just two or three.

Alston explained his warning by saying, "In the past we've been able to get along on two or three good pitchers for the first couple of weeks of the season because up north you could count on rainouts in the spring. But not in Los Angeles. Every game for us in California will no doubt be played as scheduled."

Walker No. 1 Catcher

Alston said he considered Al Walker his No. 1 catcher now that Roy Campanella, who was seriously injured in an auto accident last month, does not figure in the club's immediate plans.

Dodgertown has a swimming pool and an artificial lake for fishing. A caretaker drew laughs yesterday when he asked whether he should put water in the swimming pool. However, the lake isn't frozen.

The Los Angeles writers present are having a field day with expressions of their feelings about Florida climate. One of them probably will change his dateline to Zero Beach, Fla.

COLISEUM PACT SIGNED

Use of Los Angeles Stadium by Dodgers Now Official

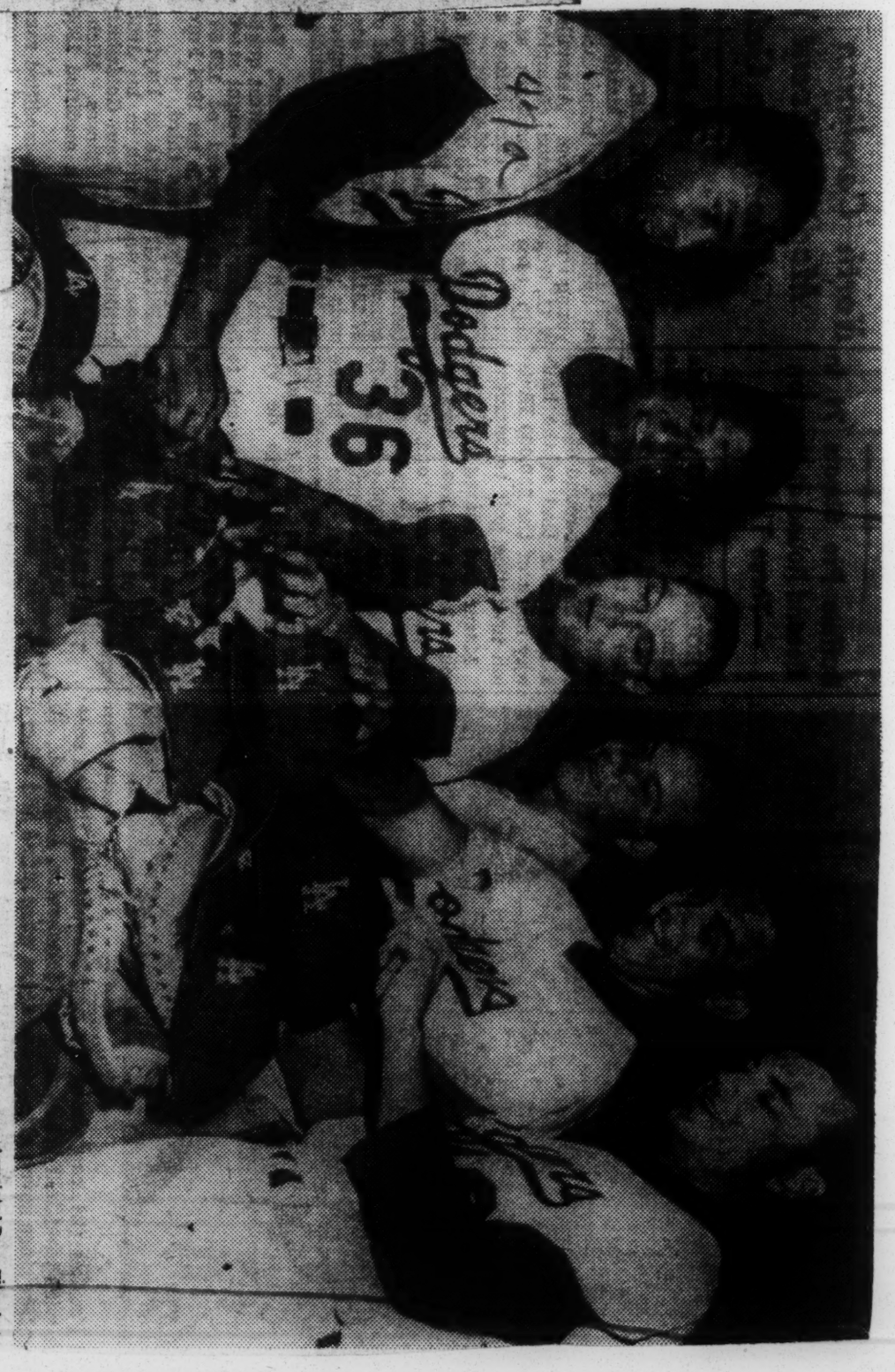
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 21 (UP) —The Los Angeles Dodgers and Supervisor Burton W. Chace as president of the Coliseum Commission today officially signed the contract permitting the baseball club to use Memorial Coliseum as its home stadium during 1958 and 1959.

Henry J. Walsh, an attorney and a director of the Dodgers, signed for the ball club.

The contract calls for the Dodgers to pay $200,000 annually plus 10 per cent of the receipts on nine of their seventy-seven home games each year.

The commission yesterday approved the contract but formal signing was held up until today.

Meanwhile, the Los Angeles City Council unanimously approved a resolution placing a contract between the Dodgers and the city for sale of the Chavez Ravine baseball site on the June 3 ballot. The action was a legal requirement on the referendum authorized by the filing of petitions containing more than 51,000 signatures.



Members of the Dodgers at start of spring training at Vero Beach, Fla., select their new caps. From left: John Roseboro, catcher; Don Newcombe and John Podres, pitchers; Al Walker, catcher; Clem Labine and Don Bessent, pitchers.

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A MATTER OF CAPS—The Brooklyn Dodgers move to Los Angeles was completed for players as they reached for their new LA caps in spring camp at Vero Beach, Fla. Left to right, catcher John Roseboro, pitcher Don Newcombe, pitcher John Podres, catcher Al Walker, pitcher Clem Labine, pitcher Don Bassent.

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RUBEN GOMEZ

Giants Blank Dodgers, 8-0

Gomez Has Six-Hitter In Victory

SAN FRANCISCO, April 15 (AP)—Shutout pitching by Right Hander Ruben Gomez and an 11-hit attack including homers by Shortstop Darrel Spencer and Rookie Orlando Cepeda gave San Francisco an 8 to 0 victory over Los Angeles in major league baseball's Pacific Coast inaugural today.

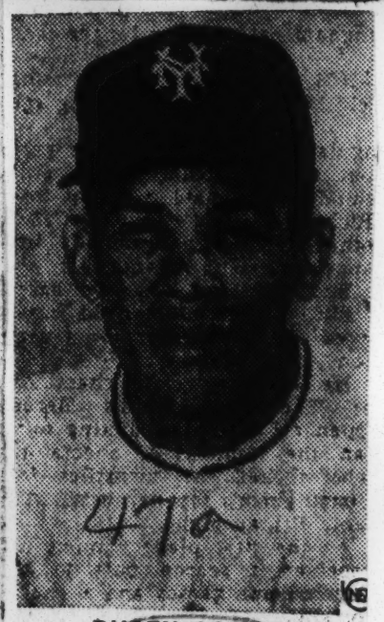
Before a capacity throng of 23,448, watching the National League teams who switched to California this season, Dodger Pitcher Don Drysdale put down the first six Giants to face him.

But in the third the game's complexion became as sunny as the weather for the home club. Drysdale walked Second Baseman Danny O'Connell and Catcher Valmy Thomas. A single by Gomez, sacrifice by Third Baseman Jimmy Davenport and single by Outfielder Jim King brought in two runs.

They proved enough but the Giants were far from through.

Spencer blasted his home run in the fourth over the left field fence off losing Pitcher Drysdale. Cepeda hit his over the right field fence in the fifth. The rookie first baseman's blow came off Reliefer Don Bessent.

Gomez gave up six hits, all of them singles, struck out five and walked six.



RUBEN GOMEZ

Howard still hot hitter; Jones tops tan pitchers

Afro-American P. 13 Baltimore, Md.

Elston Howard continued to set a torrid pace in leading the tan hitters of major league baseball this week, adding six points onto his already lofty average of .349 of last weekend.

The New York Yankees all-round fill - in, currently installed as Casey Stengel's No. 1 catcher, was sporting a handsome .355 mark as the AFRO week closed. His fine stickwork has contributed much to the runaway pace the Yankees are setting in the American League race.

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The week also was marked by the even keel kept by the big bats of Willie Mays, Wes Covington and Vic Power, as well as by the rookies Orlando Cepeda and Leon Wagner.

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MAYS and his freshman teammates — Cepeda and Wagner — have kept the surprising San Francisco Giants in the midst of a terrific season-long struggle with the world champion Milwaukee Braves.

Willie clung to the same .341 average he was carrying a week ago, thus giving signs that he was at last shaking a five - week slump.

Apparently heartened by the awakening of Mays, the youngsters, Cepeda and Wagner, took on some extra poundage in the point department. Orlando climbed seven points from .314 to .321, and Leon jumped 26 points, from .325 to .351.

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IN THE MEANTIME, Covington continued to shoulder most of the burden as the Braves stayed in the fight with the upstart San Franciscans.

Wes, who was hitting when such big guns as Hank Aaron, Eddie Matthews and Joe Adcock weren't, was moving along at a .326 level as the week ended. This was one point better than his mark of the previous weekend.

Aaron, incidentally, has been climbing steadily over the past three weeks. Away off form in the early months, Hank is gradually reaching his norm. The six points he added during the past week brought his mark from .304 to .310.

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OVER IN the American League, Vic Power is still revelling in the switch that sent him from Kansas City to Cleveland. The sure-handed, hard-hitting Puerto Rican kept up his better than 3-for-ten pace, to maintain a .324 average.

By the same token, Bob Boyd was going along smoothly for the Baltimore Orioles. His bat has meant much to Paul Richards' crew as it climbed into third place in the AL standings.

Bob was down one point, from .310 to .309 for the week passed, but he still was producing the important blow when it was needed by the Birds.

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SHACKLED to low averages as they have been all season, Frank Robinson of the Cincinnati Redlegs, Junior Gilliam of the Los Angeles Dodgers, and Al Smith of the Chicago White Sox, continued to disappoint.

At week's end, Robinson was weighted down by a .267 mark; Gilliam was at .264 and Smith was manacled to an horrendous .243.

In pitching the story continues to be Sad Sam Jones the free-throwing righthander of the St. Louis Cardinals. The Redbirds have dropped from the race for the top spot at the moment, but it has been no fault of their big fireballer.

Jones, sporting a mark of 8-7, was nevertheless boasting a commendable 2.62 earned-run average.

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OTHER PITCHERS worthy of mention here this week are Juan Pizarro of the Milwaukee Braves, and Jim (Mudcat) Grant of the Cleveland Indians.

Pizarro tossed a 4-hit, 4-1 win over the Dodgers during the week, to check in with his second victory against no losses since being recalled from Wichita.

Grant delivered a 3-hit pitching job at the Yankees, one of the best thrown at the AL champs this year—SAM LACY.

NOW IT'S VETS' TURN—Next day (after Kirland-Cepeda action above) it became the turn of the veteran Giants. A ninth inning homer by Ray Jablonski (left) scored Willie Mays ahead of him to beat the Redlegs at Cincinnati, 4-3. Relief pitcher Marv Grissom (second from right) and manager Bill Rigney join Willie and Ray in the clubhouse jubliation.

REJOINS GIANTS — Bill White, leading run - producer of the then New York Giants when he left for military service in 1956, rejoined his old teammates last week. The flashy first baseman is on terminal leave awaiting discharge in September.

Elston Howard Saves Turley's Shutout With Amazing Catch

By OSCAR FRALEY

NEW YORK — (UPI) — "Bullet Bob" Turley proved his class as well as his courage Monday when he pitched a five-hit 7-0 victory to lift the New York Yankees off the floor as they finally caught up to Lew Burdette and narrow the Milwaukee Braves' World Series margin three games to two.

Those once-mighty Yankees were really "down" as they went out into the 90-degree sunshine with holes in their bats and lumps in their throats to face the man who had beaten them four times in a row—three times last year and once in this classic. They needed to lose to him only once more to close it out again.

Nor was there much hope for them among the crowd of 65,279 because their fielding had been inept and Turley had been slugged aside as Burdette beat them in the second game. "Bullet Bob" that time lasted only 25 well-battered pitches.

FANS TEN

But this time the baby-faced righthander proved himself the same pitching man who ran up 21 victories in the American League this season. Using a curve ball effectively along with his "smoke," he fanned 10 of those bushy-tailed Braves. And he capped the climax of a six-run Yankee sixth inning by driving home the final two runs.

He had a lot of help as the Yankees at long last drove Burdette to cover. Gil McDougald gave him a slim early lead with a solo homer in the third; Elston Howard made a brilliant diving catch in the top of the sixth to choke off a Braves rally which might have turned the tide; Yogi Berra smashed his way into the record books with a two-run double in the big sixth—and muscular "Moose" Skowron ended the amazing success story of Burdette with a bases-loaded single good for one more tally.

BACK TO MILWAUKEE

It was a comeback which kept the Yankees alive and sent both teams winging back to Milwaukee for the sixth game Wednesday — after a day off for travel.

Turley opened shakily as he walked leadoff hitter Bill Bruton. But then, breathing deeply before each no-windup pitch, he got the next three men in order. In the second he got the first man up and then walked Frank Torre. But he went to the curve ball and sent sweeping pitches past both Dell Crandall and Johnny Logan for called third strikes.

He fanned the first two men in the third, for four strikeouts in a row, then gave up the first hit of the game to Red Schoendienst. Turley didn't waver. He fanned Eddie Mathews to strike out the side.

FAIR BY INCHES

McDougald sent the Yankees into the lead in the third with a well-hit shot which struck the screen of the left field foul pole—fair by only inches yet still a home run.

Trying to free Burdette from pitching chores for the day, Jerry Lumpe singled over second and Mickey Mantle singled to right. Lumpe held at second because he had to dance out of the way of Mantle's hit. But Berra slapped into a double play so that threat went for naught.

Then came the big sixth in which the game could have gone either way.

BRUTON SINGLES

Bruton opened the Braves' half with a single to center as the ball took a freak bounce at the edge of the infield and leaped over Tony Kubek's head. The Braves put on the hit and run and Red Schoendienst sent a looping fly to short left center which looked like a sure hit.

But there came Howard, swooping down like a swallow and snaring the ball with a head-long dive. Scrambling to his feet, he whipped the ball to McDougald. It bounced off his glove, but Skowron picked it up and tagged Bruton, trying to slide back into first base, for a double play.

The catch saved the Yankees at least one run—and a rally which might have broken the game—for Mathews followed with a single to right.

That was enough nonsense for Turley. He went to his curve ball again and sent Hank Aaron down on strikes.

Then the Yankees came up and they were after a cushion to go with that slender one run on McDougald's homer.

Hank Bauer started it by singling through the hole only to stand there as Lumpe went down bunting foul on a third strike in a vain attempt to sacrifice. Mantle came through after that with a single to center which sent Bauer to third.

Berra stepped in then, hitting a lowly .117 for the series. This time the chunky Yankee catcher doubled into the right field corner to score Bauer and send Mantle to third. It raised Berra's total bases in World Series play to 97, breaking Babe Ruth's mark of 96, and also marked his 58th World Series hit to tie a record posted long ago by Frankie Frisch.

Howard came on and was given an intentional walk to fill the bases and Skowron followed up with a single, drilling scoring Mantle and elaving the bases filled.

That ended the mastery of Burdette and the rubber-armed West Virginian took the long walk to the showers. He was replaced by young Juan Pizarro.

McDOUGALD DOUBLES

McDougald kept it rolling, lofting a high fly to deep left which Covington lost in the sun— just as Norm Siebern did Sunday when the Yankees dropped the fourth game. The ball bounced into the left field bullpen for a ground-rule double, Berra and Howard romping across the plate and Skowron churning into third.

Kubek struck out but Turley still didn't have enough. He flailed a single to left field to send across Skowron and McDougald with the fifth and sixth runs of the inning and a 7-0 Yankee lead. Turley went to second on a wild pitch but Bauer, up for the second time in the inning, struck out to end the inning.

That was plenty.

Turley took it from there, giving a walk in the seventh and a single in both the eighth and ninth. But he never was in trouble as he powered the Yankees home.

Neither manager would announce his sixth-game pitcher for Wednesday's resumption at Milwaukee but both clubs were optimistic. The Braves figured they could get the job done by winning at least one out of two in their home park. And the Yankees figured that "Bullet Bob" had brought them off the floor and back into contention.

"One thing sure," said Casey Stengel. "He kept us alive."

Elston Howard Takes Over Yankees' Catching Duties

New York-(ANP)--Few baseball experts ever thought they would see the day when Elston Howard was considered a more valuable player to the New York Yankees than Yogi Berra or Mickey Mantle.

Well that day arrived last week when Howard took over the first string catching chores with Berra sidelined with a bruised hand.

Howard seemed to thrive on his opportunity for sustained service behind the plate for the first time since he became a Yankee. Not that Elston hasn't earned his keep as a Yankee.

Old Casey Stengel, the Yankee manager, once paid this ribute to Howard:

"I got Howard. What's wrong with Howard if I play him in left or right (field), catch him or pinch-hit him. I know he's a four-way man."

Casey even made a five-way man out of Howard last season. He used him as a first baseman late in the season and twice in World Series games.

But right now Ole Case is willing to settle for Howard as a catcher. He calls him the best catcher in baseball.

"Who's better? he asks. "I don't mean hitting. I mean everything. Nobody can throw better. He's a real fine receiver, handles the pitchers very good and is smart."

Elly's sudden stature as a competent craftsman behind the plate is really no surprise. It's been obvious to the knowing eye all the time.

In his second year with the Yankees, Bill Dickey, then a Bomber coach and one of the all-time catching greats, said Howard had the equipment to develop into a great maskman.

"He has a better throwing arm than Berra," said Dickey. "He has power at the plate and there are some who think he will hit for a better average than Berra over the long haul."

Howard prefers catching.

"I hit better when I'm catching. I think about other things when I play the outfield and don't concentrate as well. When you're catching, you're in the ball game all the time."

Even Yogi is for Howard handling the heavy duty behind the plate.

"I've caught 1400 games. That's a lot. I think my career might go a couple of years longer if I was an outfielder this year," said the squat, 33-year-old mittman.

Willie Worried Over Slump—

Mays Asks For Help, Advice

NEW YORK, June 27 (AP)—An agitated Willie Mays, disturbed because his batting average has shrunk 70 points from .435 in three weeks, practically pleaded today for an older and wiser head to tell him what he's been doing wrong at the plate.

In a Cincinnati interview with Jimmy Cannon, New York Post columnist, the star center fielder of the San Francisco Giants, said:

"I've been playing lousy ball for three weeks. I don't know what it is. I don't know what to make of it. I'm just bad.

"I need some older fellow to be over me. I need some older fellow to watch me. I mean some one who knows me and knows all about me and what I done when I started and how I was when I came up.

"You know the best thing that could have happened to me?" Mays asked Cannon. "The best thing would be to have Jackie Robinson for one year. I mean for Jackie to play with me for just one year and tell me things. He'd tell me. I know he would and he knew me when I come up and what I did."

An offer to help was not long in coming.

In San Francisco, Lefty O'Doul, a Spring training batting coach for the San Francisco Giants said he'd be "tickled to death" to work with Willie "if he feels I can help him."

O'Doul, twice a National League batting champion, said he has seen a lot of things Willie is doing wrong. He said he did not want to elaborate.

"I went 28 times myself without a hit in Brooklyn in 1932," O'Doul said, "but I came out of it and led the league.

"There's no reason why Willie shouldn't hit from .350 to .400 every year. He's in a slump and I think I can help him get out of it."

O'Doul worked with Giant hitters this Spring, but didn't work with Mays. He never asked for help then, O'Doul said, and besides there were other Giant hitters that needed his attention at the time.

Mays said that outside of Hank Sauer, the Giants' veteran outfielder, none of his teammates has told him what he thought Willie was doing wrong.

"They're afraid to tell me," he complained. "Nobody tells me. What are they afraid of? They must think I would resent it. Why should I resent it? I got a lot to learn and I want to learn all about it. I don't resent anybody telling me things."

Despite his slump, which has handcuffed him without an extra base hit or a run batted in during the last 16 games, Mays is batting .372. That's still good enough to lead the league.

"Some guys hit .350 but they don't care," Willie said. "But I love this game. If I got to do something and I don't do it, I feel terrible. I got so much to learn about it. That's why I want some older fellow to tell me when I'm doing wrong."

MAYS IN HOSPITAL TO UNDERGO TESTS

Giants' Slumping Outfielder in Harkness Pavilion for Rest and Check-Up

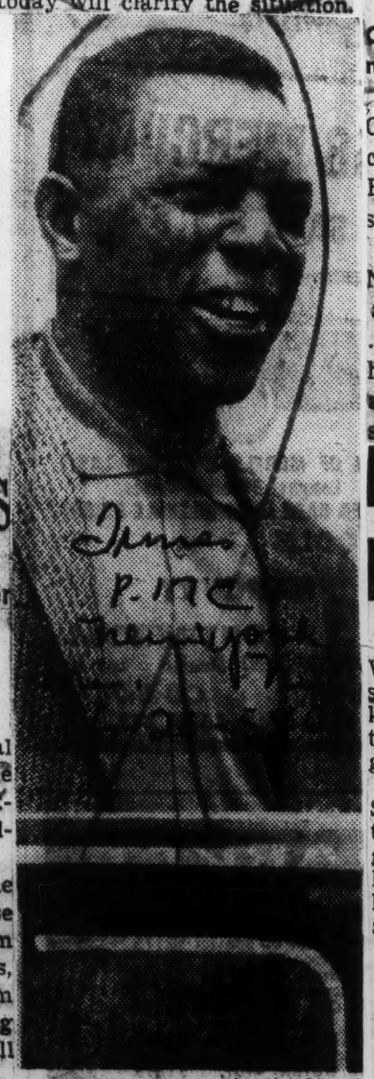
After undergoing a physical examination yesterday, Willie Mays was admitted to Harkness Pavilion for "rest," pending further tests today.

The slumping outfielder of the San Francisco Giants, whose batting average dropped from .4[illegible] to .382 within two weeks, left the club and flew here from Pittsburgh yesterday morning on orders from Manager Bill Rigney.

Late in the afternoon he spent a half hour with Dr. Stuart W. Cosgriff, his personal physician. At this visit it was decided that he spend the night in the hospital to prepare for a more thorough check-up.

No diagnosis of May's condition was available at Harkness Pavilion last night. Willie has complained of feeling "run down." Afflicted with a "headache," he sat out the Giants' Wednesday night game with the Pirates until the ninth inning, when he made an unsuccessful appearance as a pinch-hitter.

The Giants had expected that Mays would rejoin them in Philadelphia tonight. It now seems likely that he will be out of action for a longer period. The outcome of the tests he takes today will clarify the situation.



Associated Press

GETS PHYSICAL CHECK: Willie Mays of the Giants enters car after undergoing an examination at Harkness Pavilion here.

It never happened before

Six of the top nine batters in the National League today are colored.

Three of them, Willie Mays, Orlando Cepeda and Leon Wagner are San Francisco Giants.

Two, Hank Aaron and Wes Covington, are with the world champion Milwaukee Braves. Ernie Banks is a Chicago shortstop.

Banks is certain to be the National League's most valuable player. He is batting .315, leads both leagues in home runs, 47, (Mantle, 41), and runs batted in 126, (Jensen 116).

Mays To Have Further Tests

NEW YORK, June 20 (AP)—Willie Mays is suffering from no serious ailment, but he will be kept in the hospital at least until sometime Saturday to undergo further tests.

The star center fielder of the San Francisco Giants entered the hospital yesterday to undergo a series of tests because he has not been feeling well. He has been in a severe batting slump in recent weeks.

Dr. Stuart W. Cosgriff issued a brief statement after today's tests were completed, reporting everything "satisfactory."

Willie, 27, posed for photographers at the hospital after the tests.

Dr. Cosgriff indicated Mays probably would rejoin the team in Philadelphia over the weekend.

25TH ALL-STAR GAME

Willie Mays stars, but NL loses 4-3

By SAM LACY
AFRO Sports Editor

BALTIMORE

A sunbaked throng of 48,829 watched the American League come from behind to score a 4 to 3 victory over the National here Tuesday in the 25th annual major league All-Star game.

Three of the six tan players named to the All Star roster saw action.

They were Willie Mays of San Francisco, Hank Aaron of Milwaukee and Ernie Banks of the Chicago Cubs.

Mays opened the game with a safe hit and tallied the first two runs for the senior loop.

Aaron, though hitless for the afternoon, drove home Mays with the first of his two runs. Banks, also hitless, figured in two timely double plays that helped the NL over serious hurdles.

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE started as though they intended to make a rout of the affair. Mays rapped Bob Turley's first pitch along the third base line, the ball striking the bag for a single.

Willie went to third as Stan Musial singled to right, then scored after Mickey Mantle took Aaron's fly in deep center.

They got another run when Turley cut loose with a wild pitch after filling the bases with a hit batsman (Banks) and a walk to Frank Thomas.

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BANKS' ERROR, however handed the American Leaguers one of these runs back.

Ernie's bad throw gave Nellie Fox a life leading off the bottom of the first. And two outs later, the White Sox's second baseman trotted across on Bob Cerv's single to center.

Mays tallied again in the second, due largely to clever base running. With two outs, Willie stole second and raced to third as the attemut to nail him went into centerfield.

Moments later, Willie rode home on Bob Skinner's poke to left to make it 3 to 1.

AGAIN, THONGH, the AL came back to close the gap and later tie the score.

Singles by Gus Triandos, Ray Narleski and Fox netted the American League their second run in the second inning.

Then Mickey Vernon and Fox put together singles in the fifth inning to set up the 3-3 deadlock, Vernon coming home as Jackie Jensen bounced out to second.

The AL went ahead in their half of the sixth. Frank Malzone led with a single to left and advanced to second as Thomas misplayed a slow roller off the bat of Ted Williams.

Then when Gil McDougald blooped a single to center, Malzone scampered home with the winning marker.

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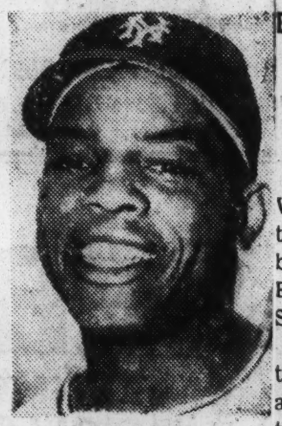
IT THEN fell to the lot of the home team Orioles' Billy (Digger) O'Dell to become the big hero of the day.

With the highly partisan crowd cheering his every pitch, the young Baltimore southpaw came on in relief of Early Wynn in the seventh to throw hitless balls the rest of the way retiring nine straight batters.

Suggests Jackie Robinson

Mays Wants an Older Fellow To Tell Him How to End Slump

NEW YORK, June 27 (AP)—An agitated Willie Mays, disturbed because his batting average has shrunk 70 points from .435 in three weeks, practically pleaded today for an older and wiser head to tell him what he's been doing wrong at the plate.



Willie Mays

In a Cincinnati interview with Jimmy Canno, New York Post columnist, the star center fielder of the San Francisco Giants, said:

"I've been playing lousy ball for three weeks. I don't know what it is. I don't know what to make of it. I'm just bad.

"I need some older fellow to be over me. I need some older fellow to watch me. I mean some one who knows me and knows all about me and what I done when I started and how I was when I came up.

"You know the best thing that could have happened to me?" Mays asked Cannon. "The best thing would be to have Jackie Robinson for one year. I mean for Jackie to play with me for just one year and tell me things. He'd tell me. I know he would and he knew me when I come up and what I did."

Mays said that outside of Hank Sauer, the Giants' veteran outfielder, none of his teammates has told him what he thought Willie was doing wrong.

"They're afraid to tell me," he complained. "Nobody tells me. What are they afraid of? They must think I would resent it. Why should I resent it? I got a lot to learn and I want to learn all about it. I don't resent anybody telling me things."

Despite his slump, which has handcuffed him without an extra base hit or run batted in during the last 16 games, Mays is batting .372. That's still good enough to lead the league.

"Some guys hit .350 but they don't care," Willie said. "But I love this game. If I got to do sometihng and I don't do it, I feel terrible. I got so much to learn about it. That's why I want some older fellow to tell me when I'm doing wrong."

MAYS GETS 2 HITS AS GIANTS WIN, 7-4

Double and Single Against Cards Raise His League-Leading Mark to .342

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 21 (AP)—Willie Mays lifted his average to .342 in the National League batting race today as the San Francisco Giants defeated the St. Louis Cardinals, 7—4.

Mays doubled and singled in three trips to the plate. He also walked twice and scored twice.

San Francisco spotted the Cardinals two runs in the first inning but came back with three in the second, two of them unearned. The earned run resulted from a single by Willie Kirkland and a double by Daryl Spencer.

Bob Speake batted for Johnny Antonelli after Bob Schmidt had been hit by a pitched ball. The runners advanced on a wild pitch and when Schmidt overran second he was trapped. Spencer dashed for home. He ran into Larry Jackson, covering the plate, and Jackson dropped the ball, allowing Schmidt to score too. Jackson drew an error on the play.

Andre Rodgers belted his second home run of the season in the fifth and sent in Jim Davenport, who had singled. Mays walked and made it to third on Orlando Cepeda's single. Mays raced home on a wild pitch.

Ellis Burton of the Cardinals hit his first major league homer, pushing across Don Blasingame in the ninth.

SAN FRANCISCO (N.)	ab.	r.	h.	rbi
Davenport, 3b	4	1	1	0
Rodgers, ss	4	1	1	2
Mays, cf	3	2	2	0
Wagner, lf	4	0	0	0
dAlou, lf	1	0	1	1
Cepeda, 1b	5	0	1	0
Kirkland, rf	2	1	0	0
Spencer, 2b	4	1	1	1
Schmidt, c	3	1	0	0
Antonelli, p	0	0	0	0
aSpeake	0	0	0	0
Monzant, p	3	0	0	0
Total	33	7	7	4

ST. LOUIS (N.)	ab.	r.	h.	rbi
Burton, lf	5	2	3	2
Tate, ss	5	1	2	0
Musial, 1b	3	0	1	1
Boyer, 3b	3	0	0	1
Green, c	4	0	1	0
C'nninghm, rf	3	0	0	0
B. G. Smith, rf	3	0	2	0
Kasko, 2b	1	0	0	0
eMoon	1	0	0	0
Amaro, 2b	0	0	0	0
fBlasingame	1	1	0	0
Jackson, p	0	0	0	0
bFreese	1	0	0	0
Wight, p	1	0	0	0
Brosnan, p	0	0	0	0
cLandrith	1	0	0	0
Stobbs, p	0	0	0	0
gNoren	1	0	0	0
Total	33	4	9	4

aWalked for Antonelli in 2d; bStruck out for Jackson in 2d; cGrounded out for Brosnan in 6th; dRan for Wagner in 7th; eFouled out for Kasko in 6th; fForced B. G. Smith for Amaro in 9th; gStruck out for Stobbs in 9th.

San Francisco	0	3	0	0	3	0	0	0	1—7
St. Louis	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2—4

E—Jackson, Rodgers. A—San Francisco 10, St. Louis 19. DP—Musial, Tate and Musial; Monzant, Spencer and Cepeda; Cepeda (unassisted). LOB—San Francisco 7, St. Louis 7.

2B Hits—Spencer, Mays, Alou, B. G. Smith, Tate. HR—Rodgers, Burton. SF—Boyer.

	IP.	H.	R.	ER.	BB.	SO.
Antonelli	1	3	2	2	0	0
Monzant (W, 8—9)	8	6	2	2	3	3
Jackson (L, 13—13)	2	1	3	1	2	0
Wight	2⅔	4	3	3	3	0
Brosnan	1⅓	0	0	0	1	0
Stobbs	3	2	1	1	1	4

HBP—By Jackson (Schmidt); by Monzant (B. G. Smith). WP—Jackson, Wight. Umpires—Boggess, Dixon, Gorman, Burkhart. Time—2:29. Attendance—13,594.

Mays Boosts Lead to Almost Two Points

By the Associated Press

With three games to play, Willie Mays has boosted his lead over Richie Ashburn to nearly two points in their rousing duel for the National League batting title.

Mays was 1-for-3 as the Giants lost, 10-3, to the Cubs yesterday, padding his average to .3458 in an 11-game surge in which he has batted at a .528 clip. Ashburn, batting .3439, was idle, returning to action tomorrow night with the Phillies, who also have three games left.

Willie won his lone batting title in 1954 with a .345 average, jumping from third past his New York teammate, Don Mueller, and Duke Snider of the Dodgers with three hits on the last day of the season.

Ashburn put away his only title in 1955, batting .338.

Dodgers Beat Cards

Los Angeles defeated St. Louis, 4-3, in the only other NL game scheduled.

Mays walloped a double and triple as the Giants, within one victory of clinching third place, overhauled a 3-1 Chicago lead. But the Cubs cracked the tie with two runs in the eighth on an error and three singles, then splurged for five runs in the ninth, three on Lou Jackson's triple. Don Elston (8-8) was the winner, Ray Monzant (8-10) the loser, both in relief.

Bob Lillis and Don Demeter homered for the Dodgers, who built a 4-0 lead while settling a National League season double play record with 195. That's one more than the record set in 1928 by Cincinnati and tied twice by the Redlegs.

Musial Boosts Average

Stan Musial was 2-for-4 for the Cards, gaining two points for a third place .336 average in the bat race.

Charlie Mabe (2-9) was the loser, while winner Roger Craig (2-0) gave up four of the Cards' five hits in his 7⅔ innings. Craig also let go a wild pitch—the 67th of the year for the Dodgers, tying the Major League record set by the old Philadelphia Athletics in 1936.

The game drew 12,771, giving the Dodgers a season total of 1,807,785—bettering their previous high of 1,807,526 at Brooklyn in 1947. They have two home dates remaining.

NL Prexy Commends Willie Mays For Averting Riot

Giles Commends Mays In Baseball Ruckus

PHILADELPHIA. — (ANP) — Willie Mays, San Francisco Gaints outfielder was commended by Warren C. Giles, National League president for his "clear thinking and quick action" in the Ruben Gomez-Danny Murtaugh hassle during a game between the Gaints and the Pittsburgh Pirates recently.

In the game, Gomez and Murtaugh became involved in a fist-swinging, bat-wielding duel. The incident occurred when Murtaugh, Pirates manager, protested Umpire Frank Dascoli's warning to Pirates pitcher Vernon Law about tossing a "duster" at Gomez, fiery Gaints pitcher. On the way to the mound, Murtaugh reportedly made some remarks to Gomez who replied with gestures and the battle ensued. Murtaugh swung at Gomez and missed and Ruben threatened him with his bat.

As players from both teams sought to join the hassle, Mays caught teammate Orlando Cepeda, rushing to aid Gomez, and pinned him down. Cepeda, a prize rookie, is having a great season and his active participation in the afray might have resulted in his suspension and hurt the Gaints pennant chances.

Giles fined Gomez, Cepeda and Murtaugh $100 each. Gomez, saying he had to defend himself, protested the fine as "unjust".

Last week, Giles sent the following telegram to Mays:

"The umpires report that your timely restraint of Orlando Cepeda prevented what might have become a very serious incident, and I commend you for your clear thinking and quick action."

Willie Mays 'Stomach Trouble' Probed In N.Y.; Bench Looms

NEW YORK — (UPI) — Outfielder Willie Mays of the San Francisco Giants underwent a half hour examination by a New York doctor Thursday and then glumly said he may not rejoin the club immediately.

Mays, 27, was morose and said very little after being examined by Dr. Stuart Cosgriff in Harkness Pavilion.

When asked what was the matter with him just before entering the doctor's office, he replied: "That's what I'm here to find out."

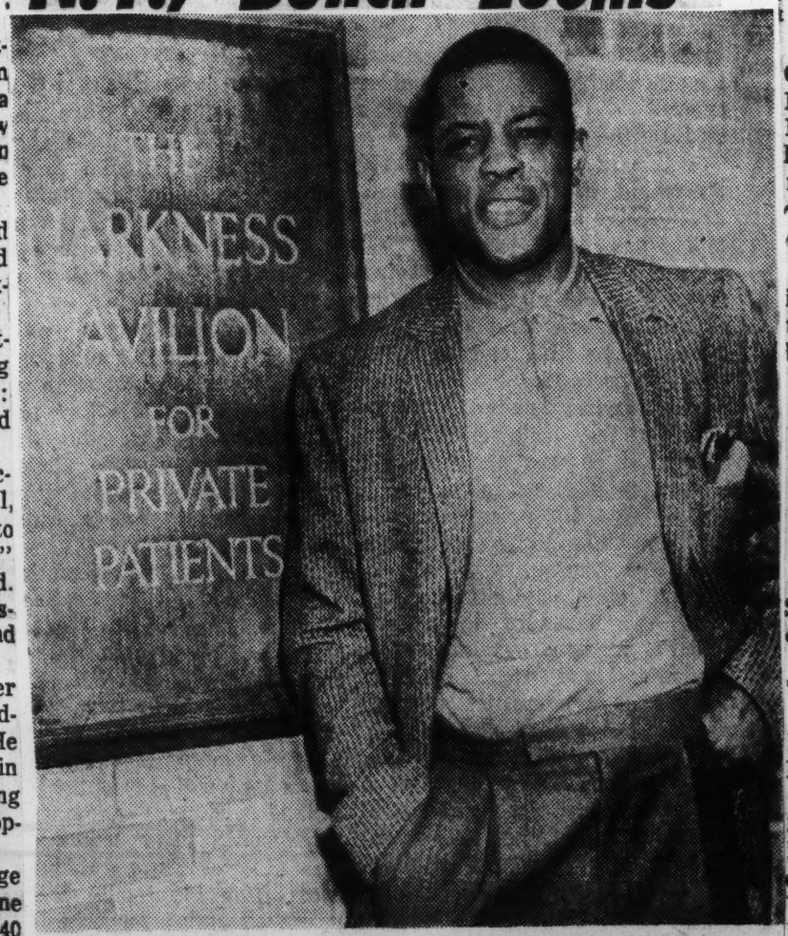
An unidentified friend who accompanied Mays to the hospital, later said "It's there," pointing to the stomach. "But it's nothing," the friend added. "He's just tired.

Mays left the Giants in Pittsburgh Thursday morning and flew to New York.

Mays complained to Manager Bill Rigney of a headache Wednesday night in Pittsburgh. He came to bat as a pinch-hitter in the ninth inning of a 10-inning victory over the Pirates and popped out.

Mays, whose batting average soared to an amazing .433 by June 6, has made only five hits in 40 times at bat since then. His average has slipped to .382.

Rigney benched Mays for the first time Wednesday night on the theory that some rest might do him good.



WILLIE BENCHED — Arriving at Harkness Pavilion in N. Y. for a physical examination for a "troubled" stomach, Willie Mays of the San Francisco Giants, who was benched for the first time this year, complained to his physician, Dr. Stuart W. Cosgriff of feeling "weak and tired." Manager Bill Rigney hopes Willie gets back in Giants' lineup soon . . . UPI photo.

Willie Mays Also Gains Top Honors

NEW YORK — Ernie Banks, Chicago Cubs, Willie Mays, San Francisco Giants, and Hank Aaron Milwaukee Braves, nabbed top honors in the annual balloting by major league radio and TV broadcasters for the 1958 Look All America Baseball Team.

Hard-hitting Banks, reports the issue of Look magazine, was virtually a unanimous choice of broadcasters.

"Strangely, this is the first time Mays has made the All America Team, although he has made the All National League team on three occasions, especially since he has enjoyed stronger seasons than this one."

Aaron, along with Cardinal's Stan Musial, was the only repeater from last year's team.

Look's All America Baseball Team is as follows:

Hank Aaron, Braves, LF; Willie Mays, Giants, CF; Jackie Jensen, Red Sox, RF; Stan Musial Cardinals, 1B; Nellie Fox, White Sox, 2B; Ernie Banks, Cubs, SS; Frank Malzone Red Sox, 3B; Del Crandall, Braves, C; Whitey Ford, Yankees, P; Bob Turley, Yankees P.

Look's All National League Team:

Bob Skinner, Pirates, LF; Willie Mays, Giants, CF; Hank Aaron, Braves, RF; Stan Musical Cardials, 1B; Bill Mazeroski, Pirates, 2B; Ernie Banks, Cubs, SS; Frank Thomas, Pirates, 3B; Del Crandall, Braves C; Warren Spahn Braves, P; Ray Semproch, Phillies, P.

Look's All American League Team:

Bob Cerv, Athletics, LF; Mickey Mantle, Yankees, CF; Jackie Jensen, Red Sox, RF; Bill Skowron, Yankees, 1B; Nellie Fox, White Sox, 2B; Luis Aparicio, White Sox, SS; Farnk Malzone, Red Sox, 3B; Sherman Lollar, White Sox, C; Whitey Ford, Yankees, P; Bob Turley, Yankees, P.

Oops, My Hat!—Willie Mays, whose reflexes are as quick as anybody's in baseball, shows his versatility as he pulls up at third base in a game against the Philadelphia Phillies. Mays, who came from first to third base on a wild pitch, reaches for his hat and the base at the same time. It turned out that Willie and his cap were safe.

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Pinchhit Single Robs Mays Of Glory Crown In All Star Classic

Atlanta World

Atlanta, Ga.

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BALTIMORE, Md. — Gil McDougald's pinchhit single in the sixth inning knocked a starry crown from Willie Mays' hallowed head and carried the American League to a 4-3 victory over the National League in the Silver Anniversary All-Star Game here Tuesday. A1

Mays playing the game like Abner Doubleday envisions it has showed 48,829 partisan fans some of the snazziest base-running ever concocted on any clay-coated diamond until McDougald stole the final scene from him. He likewise may cause some reflective thinking in San Francisco as to whether he should be a lead off or cleanup hitter.

For Mays got the Nationals off to a good start and a two run lead by bouncing Bullet Bob Turley's first pitch off third base for a single. Bob Skinner of the Pittsburgh Pirates flied out but Stan Musial delivered a record 17th all-star hit a single to right, which sent Mays to third. Mays tagged up and scored the opening run as Hank Aaron of the Milwaukee Braves sent a long fly to deep left center. Turley hit the Chicago Cubs' Ernie Banks with a pitch, moving Musial to second and Frank Thomas then walked to load the bases.

Stengel went out to talk to Turley and decided to stay with him. At this point, Bullet Bob hurled a wild pitch, on which Musial scored to give the Nationals a 2-0 lead. Turley got Pittsburgh's Bill Mazeroski to end the inning, oft-injured Bob Cerv of Kansas City making a slipping, falling catch to bail him out.

The National League tallied its third run for a 3-1 lead in the second when, with one out, Spahn walked and was forced at second by Mays. Then wondrous Willie's baserunning set up the run as he stole second and, when Triandos threw into center field, roared on to third.

These deeds were enough to install Mays in Heroes' Hall, but for McDougald's punch blow off loser Bob Friend. Gnarled old Casey Stengel ignored the catcalls of the crowd to set up the masterpiece swat.

SKINNER SINGLES

He came on home as Skinner singled through short. That was all for Turley, who had given up three hits and three runs in 1 2-3 innings.

Three hits got one run back for the American Leaguers in the bottom of the second. With one away, Triandos singled to center but was forced by Aparicia. Luis took second on Ray Narleski's single to center and scored on Fox's single to left.

The American Leaguers tied it up in the fifth off Friend, who succeeded Spahn after the Milwaukee's lefty got through the first three innings by giving up five hits and two runs.

Cleveland's Mickey Vernon, pinch hitting for Narleski, opened with a single to right. Fox delivered his second hit, a single to right, and Mantle walked to fill the bases with none out. Jensen hit a dribbler that just eluded Friend's desperate stab and, although Jensen was out at first, Vernon scored while Fox went to third and Mantle to second. Cerv was walked intentionally to fill the bases and the strategy paid off as Skowron rapped into a double play.

But the American Leaguers had tied it up—and the stage was set for Stengel's winning maneuvers with his own men in that decisive sixth.

Booed by the 48,829 partisan Baltimore fans when he pinch hit for one of their heroes and criticized for naming seven of his Yankees for the all-star squad, Stengel had the last laugh as McDougald looped a sixth inning single to center which sent Boston's Frank Malzone scampering home with the winning run.

Early Wynn of the Chicago White Sox, the hard throwing husky who set the National League down in order in the sixth—just before his mates bombed Pittsburgh's Bob Friend—was the winner.

WILLIE MAYS

But there was some solace for Baltimore, holding the all-star contest for the first time, as Billy Digger O'Dell, 25-year-old Orioles flame-thrower, came on to set the National League down in order over the last three innings of this hot and humid day.

There were times, with a couple of million dollars' worth of baseball talent on the field, when they played like semi-pros instead of all-stars. Each team contributed two errors; neither of the two starters — Yankee Bob Turley or Milwaukee's Warren Spahn—could put out the fire; for the first time in 25 years, there wasn't a single extra-base hit, and an unearned run won the ball game.

NIXON ATTENDS

Vice President Richard Nixon, sitting in his short-sleeves just like any bleacherite, saw Casey making his winning decision in the sixth inning after Malzone opened with a single to left.

The boos boomed down around Stengel's sail-like ears as he sent his own Yogi Berra—one of the seven Yankees Stengel named to the team after the starters were picked by the vote of the managers, players and coaches — up to bat for hometown catcher Gus Triandos. Then Casey was cheered with lusty derision as Yogi's best was a pop up to third.

Stengel called on Ted Williams—another of his own choicest—and the splendid splinter, pinch-hitting for Luis Aparicio, smashed one down to third which the Pirates Frank Thomas fumbled. Malzone sped into second and Williams was safe at first as Thomas joined with Friend in giving the Pirates a dark day to remember.

The boos rose again as Stengel next called McDougald, long known as the unsung hero of a Yankee team which is making a mockery of the American League pennant race, off the bench to hit for Wynn.

MALZONE SCORES

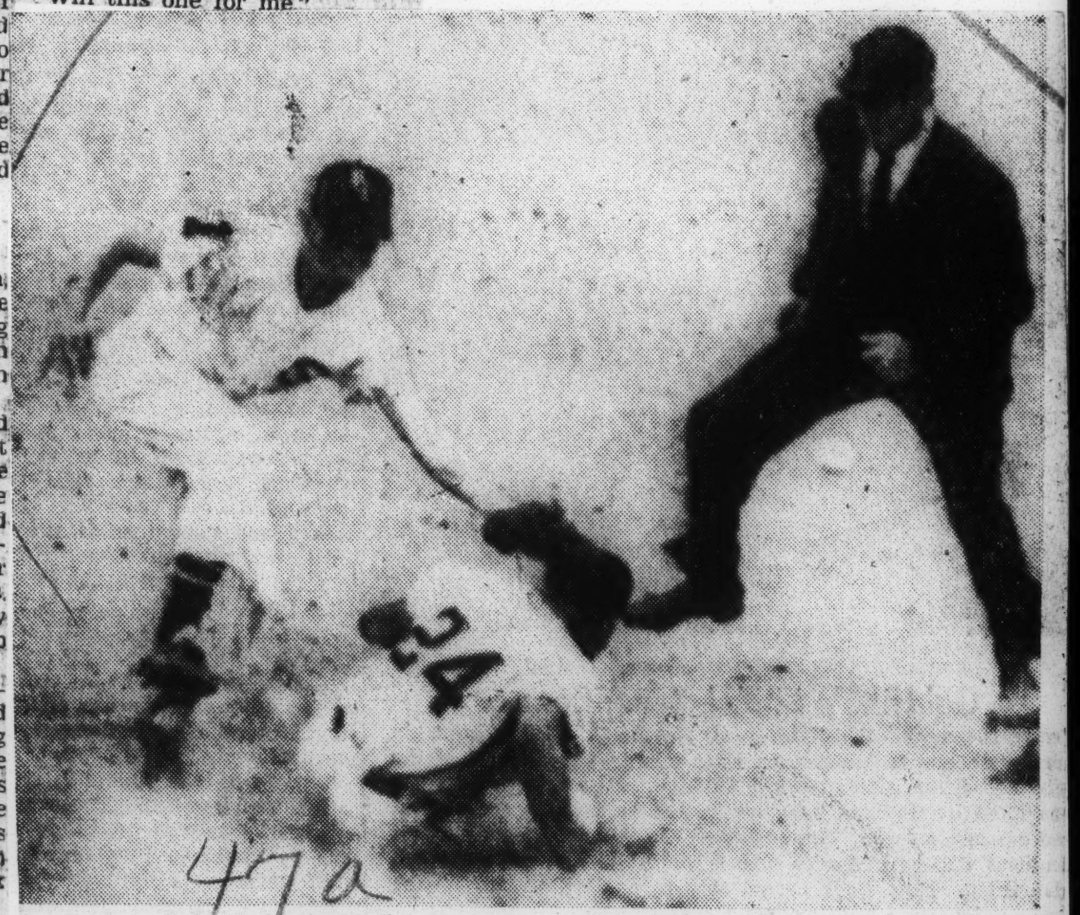
McDougald lashed into one of Friend's pitches and looped it into center. It was the hit which drove home Malzone with the run which increased the American League lead to 15 wins against 10 losses and gave Stengel his third all-star victory against five defeats.

Friend left the premises the loser after giving up four hits and two runs in 2 1-3 innings. Larry Jackson of the Cardinals came on to get Nellie Fox of the White Sox to hit into a double play. But McDougald — and Stengel — had done irreparable damage.

The National had hoped to "win this one for Campy."

Just before the game, manager Fred Haney received a good luck telegram from Dodger catcher Roy Campanella, who has been paralyzed in a hospital since an automobile accident last winter. The chunky Camp, who played in seven National League all-star games and caught four in a row without relief, pleaded:

"Win this one for me."



(AP Wirephoto.)

Willie Mays Hustles And Not In Vain

Willie Mays of the National League stole second base in the second inning during the annual All-Star baseball game, and as Luis Aparacio of the American League misses the throw from catcher Gus Triandos, Willie gets up to scoot on to third base. The umpire is Bill McKinley of the American League. The American League won, 4 to 3. Full details and more pictures appear on Page 2-B.

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$100,000 in Three Years?

Courier p. 24

Willie Mays Could Be Player With Salary Unlimited

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Sat. 1-18-58

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SAN FRANCISCO—The baseball world was still buzzing this week over the fabulous $65,000 or more contract Willie Mays signed with the brand new San Francisco Giants here last week.

With Mays joining the ranks of stars in the upper stratosphere of baseball's salary bracket, several questions are being poised by people who like to think about big money. Uppermost in the minds of most baseball speculators is the unanswerable question of "Will Mays go on to become the highest salaried player in the history of the National League?" Another is, "Will Hank Aaron be able to use Mays' salary as a barometer in negotiating with the Milwaukee Braves?"

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CURRENTLY, the top salary ever received by a National League player is the $80,000 a season paid annually to Stan (The Man) Musial of the St. Louis Cardinals. Mays, however, after six years in the National League, is climbing the wage scale faster than Musial, who is a 16-year veteran.

If Mays continues in his role as baseball's best all-around player, it is conceivable that he will eventually reach a salary peak of $100,000 or more. With the Giants looking towards the season when they may draw 2,000,000 fans in their new home, it is possible that Willie may reach this salary bracket in three years.

Willie's new contract already gives him the distinction of being the highest paid player in Giants history. He will also be drawing the largest amount ever paid to a Negro player.

In this latter aspect there appears to be only one Negro player who might be able to rival Mays in making the big dollar. He is Hank Aaron, the hard-hitting outfielder of the world champion Milwaukee Braves.

AFTER ONLY four seasons in the National League Aaron appears destined to take his place among baseball's big money makers. He already has several things in his favor that should make him a tough man to deal with over the bargaining table.

In 1956 Aaron led the National League in hitting with a .328 batting average. Last season, while the Braves were bringing the first world championship to Milwaukee, Aaron was even more effective. In winning the Most Valuable Player Award in the senior loop, Aaron was tops in home runs, RBI's and runs scored.

With signing time approaching, Aaron seems almost certain to use Willie's salary as a measuring rod in talking contract. The results could be a $42,500 contract this season with no ceiling being put on what he might make in the future.

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Courier Pittsburgh, Pa. Sat. 1-18-58 p. 24

Lotta Loot—San Francisco Giants owner Horace Stoneham, right, doesn't appear to be feeling any pain as he smiles while Willie Mays puts his name on the dotted line of a contract that calls for an estimated $65,000 for the 1958 season. The salary is the biggest ever paid to a member of the Giants.

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Aaron Sally Jackson Miss. Sun 1-19-58 p. 18

SIGNS RECORD PACT

Outfielder Willie Mays of the San Francisco Giants affixes his signature to a contract for 1958 calling for an amount in excess of $65,000—just $1,000 more than he could get for having the correct answers to questions on baseball or some other "timely" subject. Giant President Horace Stoneham smiles broadly as Willie does the signing. — Clarion-Ledger, AP Wirephoto.

Mays Signs for $65 Gs, Tops in Giant History

Constitution, Atlanta, Ga. Sun. 1-19-58 p. 59

Wilkinson, Faurot, Daugherty, Tatum Deny Offers From Eagles

From Press Dispatches

San Francisco's Willie Mays Monday became the highest salaried Giant baseball player in history when he signed his 1958 contract for an estimated $65,000.

Willie Mays

Exact figures were not revealed by President Horace Stoneham, but the official said the pay exceeded that of Alvin Dark and Rogers Hornsby who previously topped the team's salary list when it was New York-based.

Another Giant official said Mays has been in the $50,000 bracket the past two years. At $65,000, he would be the highest paid Negro player in baseball.

Mays, now a San Francisco resident and recent purchaser of a $37,500 home, said he was "very pleased" with the deal.

Highest in Club's History

Mays Signs With Giants For Estimated $65,000

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6 (AP) —Willie Mays today signed a 1958 contract with the San Francisco Giants at an estimated $65,00 which makes him the highest salaried player in the baseball club's history.

Owner Horace Stoneham did not reveal the exact figure but said the centerfielder's pay surpasses that of Alvin Dark and Rogers Hornsby who previously topped the Giant salary list when the team was in New York.

"Willie had a good year in 1957 and he received a real substantial raise," Stoneham said.

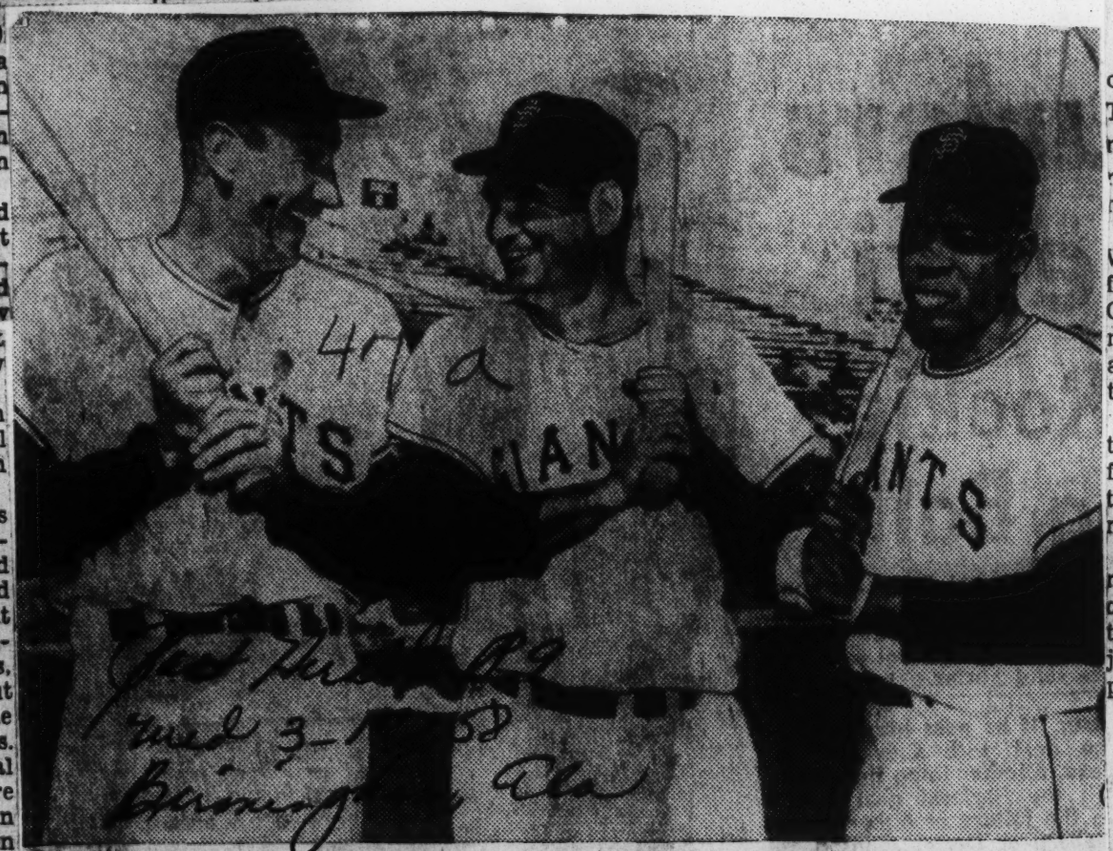
Mays, 26, joined the Giants in 1951. In 1954, he led the National League in batting and paced New York to the World Series' title. Last year, he hit .333, second only to Stan Musial, of the St. Louis Cardinals, in the league. Willie rapped out 189 hits, including 35 home runs, 26 doubles and 20 triples.

He became the only National League player to hit 20 or more homers, triples and doubles in a single season. His 38 stolen bases were the most in either league.

A Giant official said that Mays has been in the $50,000 bracket the past couple of years. At $65,000, he would be the highest paid Negro player in baseball.

Stoneham's statement, "This was the biggest contract we've ever signed," brought a big smile from Willie. Asked if he was happy with the deal, Mays said: "He was very pleased."

Mays and his wife arrived in San Francisco last Friday to make this their permanent home. He and his wife have purchased a $37,500 house.



IS THE GUY WORRIED?—Giants Hank Sauer (left) and Dusty Rhodes (center) seem happy over prospects of playing in San Francisco this season. But Willie Mays (right), who should benefit most from the short fences, seems downcast at Phoenix, Ariz., base. But it turned out that Willie just had the flu. Now he's smiling—and hitting the long ones—again.

again with the power that has made him one of the dreaded hitters of the game.

The Giants centerfielder, who collects a reported $65,000 a year for his average output of 441 homeruns and 104 runs batted in, finally turned to a penetrating camera a few days ago in search of the flaw that has spoiled his homerun swing.

ALTHOUGH he was batting a nifty .372 after 86 at-bats, the "Say Hey Kid" had only one homer in 32 hits and just nine runs batted in.

Willie wasn't telling what he learned from the films but he put San Francisco back into second place, just a half-game behind Milwaukee, with his thundering bat.

Mays, who had hit only nine extra base hits in 22 games, doubled, homered, walked and homered again before reliever Roger Craig finally induced him to ground out in the eighth inning.

HE DROVE in six runs as the Giants beat Los Angeles, 11-3, giving him 15 RBI's and boosting his average to .388.

Mays also thrilled a crowd of 20,653 in Seals Stadium with a spectacular off-the-wall catch of Gino Cimoli's drive with two men on in the eighth inning.

Willie Mays Is Named INS Player Of Day

NEW YORK — (INS) —Willie Mays has passed his screen test and is swatting the ball

Writers Say Willie Mays Greatest Fielder, Thrower

Best All-Around Player in Game Today

NEW YORK (INS) — San Francisco is a happy town these days. The Golden Gate city not only has major league baseball, it has the man who is one of the most dynamic stars of modern times.

That could be none other than Willie Mays, sensational centerfielder of the San Francisco Giants. Baseball men unanimously agree that in no time at all the say hey kid will be the toast of the great California city.

When San Francisco inherited the Giants it was said that the fans in New York wouldn't miss the ball club as much as they'd miss Willie.

Mays, who will be 27 years old next month, is considered to be one of baseball's outstanding attractions. Some experts say he's just about the best all-around player in the game today.

Many veteran sports writers have hailed Willie as the greatest fielder and thrower they have ever seen and though the statistics do not show it in the hitting department, the experts don't fear to mention him in the same breath with TY Cobb and Babe Ruth.

Greater things are predicted for Mays and San Francisco is eagerly anticipating some of his exciting exploits.

Last season was a good one for the triple-threat outfielder. Willie hit .333, drove in 97 runs, hit 35 home runs and stole 38 bases. He did this with a sixth place club.

Mays, who came up to the Giants in 1951, won the National League's batting championship in 1954 with a .345 average. He drove in 110 runs that year and hit 41 homers.

The Giants won the pennant and the world series and Mays was named the National League's most valuable player.

In 1955, Willie's average dipped to .319 but he hit 51 homers and drove in 127 runs.

Willie is the only player in National League who has ever hit as many as 30 home runs and stole as many as 30 bases in the same season. Mays has done this the last two seasons hand-running.

His combination of power and speed is astounding — almost unique. And to it Mays adds the simple fact of being quite possibly the greatest man at his position defensively in the history of the game.

He's quite a ball player, the amazing Willie Mays, and whether the Giants make it or not in San Francisco, it's a virtual sure bet that Willie will be a big hit.

Today's Cele-Birthday

By JOY and JERRY SHAW

Of The Herald Staff

WILLIE MAYS, baseball player; born: May 6, 1931, at Fairfield, Ala.

"Willie the Wallop" is famous for his breadbasket catch. In 1948, the Negro centerfielder debuted with the Black Barons of Birmingham. Spotted by the Giants, he moved to the big-time in 1951, being named rookie of the year. In 1954, the "Buckduck" was voted most valuable player in the National League. Willie: "I'd play for nothing. I'd play baseball even if they charged me."

Negro American League Opens Season On May 25

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MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The 26th annual campaign of the Negro American league and the 39th year of league baseball in the midwest, will open May 25 when the four NAL teams start the 1958 season.

The annual schedule for the teams — Kansas City Monarchs, Memphis Red Sox, Detroit Stars and Birmingham Black Barons — was arranged at the spring meeting of the club owners here last Saturday. Dr. J. B. Martin of Chicago, president of the league, presided.

ENDS JULY 4

In the opening games of the first half of the split season, Detroit stars will meet the Black Barons at Birmingham, and the Kansas City Monarchs will play the Red Sox at Memphis. The first half ends July 4.

The team will open spring training on April 13, with the first exhibition games scheduled for April 20, with the Memphis Red Sox playing the Black Barons in Birmingham. The following Sunday, April 27, the Kansas City Monarchs will play the Barons in Birmingham. On May 4, the Black Barons play the Red Sox in Memphis. The four clubs are open the next Sunday.

Last year the NAL started the season with six clubs, Mobile, Ala., and New Orleans joining. By the end of the first half both clubs had encountered financial difficulties and were unable to finish the season.

Arthur Dove of Raleigh, N. C., attended the meeting and applied for a franchise, but because there was not another application, his petition was tabled until the next meeting, slated to be held in June.

The club owners attending were Dr. B. B. Martin and Mrs. Eva Carton, representing the Memphis club; Ted Rasberry, Grand Rapids, Mich., representing the Kansas City Monarchs and Detroit Stars, and Dr. Ross and Arthur Williams, the Birmingham Black Barons.

TO INVADE GOTHAM

The league clubs are expected to invade New York this year. Frank Forbes, formerly associated with the New York Giants, wrote to the owners, pointing out that with the Giants and Dorgers out of New York, the days when the Yankees are out of the city would be a profitable time to play some games in either Yankee stadium or Ebbetts field.

Williams told the owners that several cities in Alabama which had refused to allow Negro teams to play there in the past two years, had agreed to permit games this year.

Dr. B. B. Martin announced the appointment of a new manager, Rufus Ligon. Ligon replaces Homer "Goose" Curry who had managed the club since 1950. The other managers in the loop are Ed Steele, Detroit Stars; Jim Canady, Birmingham Black Barons, and William "Dizzy" Dismukes, Kansas City Monarch.

Steele is the veteran pilot in point of service, in the league, having managed the Stars since 1953.

Ted Rasberry Is Strong Supporter Of Monarchs, Negro American League

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Although Negro baseball is having a tough time, you'd never believe it if you talked to Ted Rasberry, owner of the Kansas City Monarchs. Ted is one of those effervescent guys who just bubbles over with enthusiasm when he is talking about Negro baseball.

Roseburg's theme is generally wrapped around a good player he has in his lineup. From that he'll go on to talk about the chances of the Monarchs winning the league title, as they did in 1957. Eventually he'll get around to the league in general, and on all subjects he's well qualified to talk.

ON SOLID GROUND

The Monarch owner is on solid ground when he talks about baseball because he was a player long before he broke into the Negro American league in 1953 as the owner of the Detroit Stars. He played with a semipro team in his home town of West Point, Miss., and later at Mississippi Industrial college.

On moving to Grand Rapids, Mich., Ted played with local semipro teams before organizing the Grand Rapids Black Sox in 1946. It was from the ownership of the Grand Rapids team that he ventured into ownership in the Negro American league.

Has Rasberry been successful since picking up a franchise in the Negro American league?

Since that day in 1953 when he acquired the Detroit franchise Rasberry has sold more than nine ball players to major and minor league clubs.

Among those sold by Rasberry are Aaron Jones, a good young southpaw who is now in the Yankee farm system; John Kennedy, a shortstop who is with the Cleveland system, and Eskeal King, a first baseman in the Philadelphia farm system.

The Detroit Stars finished fourth in 1953, the first year under Rasberry's ownership, fourth in 1954, second in 1955, and first in 1956. Rasberry disposed of the Detroit franchise in 1956, taking over the Monarchs.

The Monarchs finished second in 1956, but came back to win the title in 1957.

Rasberry hired Ed Steele, former crack outfielder of the Birmingham Black Barons, as pilot of the Stars, and when he took over the Monarchs he signed William "Dizzy" Dismukes as manager.

A FASCINATING GAME

"This is a fascinating game," said Rasberry, "but you've got to get out and do some hard work. Many have said Negro baseball is dead, but I disagree.

"There was a time when you could get 10 or 15 thousand fans in the park without much effort. Those days are gone. Today you must go out and bring the fans in.

"The Negro American league is a developing ground for young Negro players. Without the league many of the young players would not have chance to prove themselves worthy of a trial with a major league club."

NEGRO LOOP LISTS 4 STADIUM GAMES

Two Double-Headers Slated While Yankees Are Away —Additional Dates Likely

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By ROSCOE McGOWEN

There will be baseball in the Yankee Stadium when the Yankees are on the road this summer. The Negro American League has scheduled four regular league games there, with options for several more, including some night games.

This was disclosed at a news conference in the Hotel Edison yesterday by Sudon Sports Promotions, Inc., of which Frank Forbes is the general manager and Jim Isaacson the president.

Forbes, long a scout for the Giants and a sort of "guardian" for Willie Mays when Willie the Wonder first joined the Giants, is the moving spirit in the promotion.

Isaacson was a right-handed pitcher on the Montreal roster in 1944.

Triple A Quality

"The Negro American League is the equivalent of at least Triple A ball," Isaacson said. "Many of the players are not only top talent but they have a knack for entertainment as well as playing. There are many potential major leaguers on these clubs."

The first date is Sunday, June 1, a double-header between the famous Memphis Red Sox (who produced Jim Gilliam for the Dodgers and the Detroit Clowns.

The Clowns are owned and managed by Goose Tatum, the fabulous basketball player, who also plays first base. The Clowns, led by Tatum, stage a show—but not to the detriment of their playing.

So far the next scheduled date is Sunday, June 29, with the Memphis Red Sox meeting the league champion Kansas City (Kan.) Monarchs in a double-header. It was from the Monarchs that Branch Rickey purchased Jackie Robinson, the first Negro to play in organized baseball.

"These two dates," said Isaacson, "will decide the future. There's no telling how far we will go. We have plans to bring in championship teams from other countries. It may well be international baseball."

Before appearing in New York, Memphis and Detroit will play in Griffith Stadium, Washington, on Thursday night, May 29, and probably in Wilmington, Del., and Hagerstown, Md., on the two succeeding nights.

No Negro American League team has played here in more than a dozen years.

"We have a basic rental and percentage deal with the Yankees," Forbes said. "They're going to sell tickets for us. Of course, we have lowered the prices—$2 is tops for box seats and all other seats will be priced at $1.25 for general admissions. We're also open for radio and television bids, something approved by the Yankee management."

140-Game Schedule

The Negro American League season opens on Sunday, May 25, and consists of 140 games for each team. The four teams—the other team not previously mentioned is the Birmingham (Ala.) Black Barons—play five-game series.

Isaacson said a "world series" for New York also was contemplated. The league holds a play-off to decide which two teams will meet in this affair.

An All-Star game also is in the works. This probably would be played in New York in October, Forbes said.

Since the Yankees are away from Sept. 8 to Sept. 26, the tentative plan now is to hold the Negro American League play-offs in the Stadium.

Negro Teams Try Luck in New York

Yankee Stadium Games Slated; Lavagetta Happy With .500

From Press Dispatches

The Negro American League will attempt to fill part of the baseball gap left by the departure of the Giants and Dodgers from New York with a series of Sunday double-headers at Yankee Stadium.

The Memphis Red Sox will play a twinbill with Goose Tatum's Detroit Clowns June 1, and another double-header has been scheduled for June 29 between Memphis and the Kansas City Monarchs.

"These two dates will decide the future," Julius Isaacson, president of an organization formed to promote the games, said. "If it goes, there's no telling how far we'll go."

The league consists of four teams, Memphis, Kansas City, Detroit and the Birmingham Black Barons. Normally the league operates in the Midwest and South.

EAST'S NEGRO NINE DEFEATS WEST, 6-5

Nat (Sweetwater) Clifton's steal of home in the eighth inning enabled the East to defeat the West, 6-5, in the American Negro Baseball League's all-star game at Yankee Stadium yesterday.

Clifton, who is best known for his play in the National Basketball Association, scored on a two-out double steal when Ozzie Tidmore, the West's second baseman, missed the tag on Charles Douglas.

Willie Washington of the West broke a 2-2 tie in the bottom of the fifth when he clouted a 450-foot homer, good for three runs, to right center field.

In the eighth Clifton singled, sending Joe Ivory from first to third. Clifton moved to second on the throw attempting to cut down Ivory. Ivory scored the tying run on a sacrifice fly by Gideon Jarvis, which also advanced Clifton to third. Douglas then walked to set up the steal.

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Batteries—Harris and Jackson; Pride, Cane (8) and Barnes, McKnight (8), Losini. Pitcher—Cane. Home runs—East: Douglas 2. West: Washington.

First on Sunday, June 1

Negro League to Play Twin Bills at Stadium

The Negro American League will attempt to fill part of the gap left by the departure of the Giants and Dodgers with a series of Sunday doubleheaders at Yankee Stadium.

Julius Isaacson, president of a new organization known as Sudon Sports Promotions, Inc., yesterday announced the appointment of Frank Forbes, a boxing judge who long has been a figure in baseball promotion, as general manager.

The Memphis Red Sox will play a doubleheader against Goose Tatum's Detroit Clowns on Sunday, June 1, at the Stadium. Another doubleheader has been scheduled for June 29 between the Memphis team and the Kansas City Monarchs.

"These two dates will decide the future," said Isaacson. "If it goes, there is no telling how far we'll go. We hope to have a play-off between the first and second half winners and perhaps game between the league all-stars and a team from Puerto Rico.

The league consists of four teams, Memphis, Kansas City, Detroit and the Birmingham Black Barons, according to Forbes. They start their regular season May 25. Memphis and Detroit will be booked into Washington May 29, Baltimore May 30 and probably Wilmington May 31 before coming to the Stadium. Normally the league operates in the Mid-west and South.

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Paul: 'We Can Win If Newk Goes Big'

Constitution

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Gambling Redlegs Banking On Don as Hill Stopper

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CINCINNATI (AP)—Burly Don Newcombe hasn't won a game yet this season but the Cincinnati Redleg "brass" held hopes Monday that he can provide the pitching necessary to bring this baseball hotbed its first National League pennant since 1940.

There is a big "if" attached, however.

That is the question of whether Newcombe can regain something akin to his 1956 form. He was a disappointment last year and has had even a more miserable start this season with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

But about an hour before the trading deadline Sunday night Redleg Manager Gabe Paul climaxed a two-year series of offers and got Newcombe from the Dodgers in exchange for first baseman Steve Bilko and pitcher Johnny Klippstein.

Newcombe, obviously disappointed at the turn of events, shrugged it off: "It's just one of those things in baseball."

"If Newcombe goes big for us, it could mean the pennant," said Paul. "Taking him is a gamble we feel is justified."

Cincinnati Manager Birdie Tebbetts had the same thought in mind as he said:

"Newcombe could do a real big job for us and if he can regain the form he had in 1956 he can win the pennant for us."

The trade was made as the Redlegs came home from a road trip on which their reputedly shaky pitching staff allowed an average of less than 2½ earned runs a game and had three shutouts in the last five games. The Redlegs went into Monday night's game 3½ games out of first place.

But there never has been any question but that the Redlegs are weak in starting hurlers. After Bob Purkey, Brooks Lawrence and Harvey Haddix, Tebbetts has been hard-pressed. As he said, 'We need a front line guy who can make it big for us and we believe Newcombe is the one who can do it."

After the 1956 season it was reported Paul offered the then Brooklyn Dodgers a quarter of a million dollars for Newcombe but was turned down. Since then he has tried repeatedly to get the big hurler.

"It's like running out a ball to first base," he said. "You just don't quit running because you were thrown out the first time."

Paul disclosed that he decided to make one more effort to get Newcombe after Don was knocked out in Sunday's Los Angeles-Pittsburgh game.

"I felt the time was ripe after Newcombe's showing Sunday," Paul said.

Pitcher threatened by judge

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Atlanta Constitution

NEWARK

Baseball star Don Newcombe flew in from the West Coast early this week to enter a not guilty plea in Essex County Court Monday on a charge of atrocious assault and battery.

Judge James Giuliano, who threatened to order his arrest if the Cincinnati Redleg hurler failed to show up this week, set bail for Big Newk at $1,500. The trial date was set for Jan. 5.

The 32-year-old former Brooklyn Dodger star and his brothers Harold, 29, and Norman, 28, were indicted by an Essex County grand jury last month on charges growing out of a disturbance at Newcombe's tavern at Orange Ave. and 13th St. last Dec. 22.

DON AND Norman were accused of assaulting former East Orange policeman Ulysses Ross of 115 Hollywood Ave., East Orange.

Harold was charged with possessing a weapon.

The cases were originally scheduled for pleadings on Nov. 10. However, Morris Barnett, Elizabeth attorney, asked for and was granted a week's adjournment.

When the Newcombe brothers and their attorney failed to appear in court on Nov. 17 Judge Giuliano threatened to issue bench warrants for their arrest.

The next day Harold and Norman pleaded not guilty and were released in $1,500 bail.

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MR. BARNETT, explaining that Big Newk was barnstorming in Mexico, was granted a second adjournment.

The attorney told the court he was not in court the previous day because he'd talked with the prosecutor's office and was under the impression another postponement would be granted.

"There is no reason why Mr. Newcombe could not have been here in spite of his barnstorming," said Judge Giuliano, in granting the adjournment.

Don, whose fear of planes caused him to hire a hypnotist when the Dodgers left New York for Los Angeles, showed no effects after flying from the West Coast Sunday.

Instead of a bench warrant, the only thing the pitcher faced when he arrived at the Essex County Courthouse shortly before 10 a.m. Monday was a battery of newspaper photographers.

Associated Press Wirephoto

EVERYBODY LOOKS HAPPY OVER TRADE, INCLUDING NEWK

Los Angeles GM Buzzie Bavasi Bids Don Newcombe Farewell

OES TO REDLEGS

Newcombe, Dodgers Part In Last-Minute Trade

By JACK HAND
The Associated Press

Big Don Newcombe and the Dodgers finally have parted company in the latest move of a series of player swaps that should make scorecards a hot item in 11 major league parks.

Los Angeles traded 32-year-old Newk to Cincinnati for Steve Bilko, hulking first baseman, and Johnny Klippstein, a useful right-handed pitcher in the major National League transaction before the June 15th midnight trading deadline.

Kansas City was the most active American League team with six new men to show for a busy weekend of trading with New York and Cleveland.

Every club in the American League except Boston, Washington and Baltimore made a move in the final days and all in the National except Chicago and San Francisco.

Although Newcombe has a sorry 0-6 record and has been involved in several hassles with the management, it was a surprise to find him traded. A couple of years back Cincinnati had offered $250,000 for the strong right-hander and had been turned down flat.

The Dodgers hope that Bilko, once a four-star hit with the Los Angeles club of the Pacific Coast League, will be the man to take advantage of the handy little left field screen.

To Manager Birdie Tebbetts of the Redlegs, Newcombe is expected to be the "front line guy who can make it big for us."

Cincinnati, which sacrificed power for pitching over the winter, now has a front line staff of Bob Purkey, Brooks Lawrence, Harvey Haddix and Newcombe.

St. Louis picked up infield insurance in Gene Freese and Johnny O'Brien of Pittsburgh in exchange for bonus shortstop Dick Schofield and also believes it strengthened its pitching by acquiring 41-year-old Sal Maglie from New York. Freese, highly regarded last year, has seen little action with the Pirates. The Cards wanted him last winter.

The other National League moves were minor in nature, involving the transfer of catcher Carl Sawatski from Milwaukee to Philadelphia for Joe Lonnett, who was farmed out, and the recall by the Braves of pitcher Carlton Willey from their Wichita farm.

Kansas City, notably a right-handed hitting team, finally has come up with some left-handed hitters in first baseman Harry Simpson of New York, right fielder Roger Maris and infielder Preston Ward of Cleveland.

Manager Harry Craft of the A's says he will play Simpson on first and use Ward, who is hitting .338, as a pinch hitter. Simpson had a .216 average with the Yankees but was a big power threat with the A's in other years.

The A's also patched up their infield with Chico Carrasquel, formerly of Cleveland, at third base, and added relief pitcher Bob Grim, formerly of the Yankees and Dick Tomanek, a left-handed starter from Cleveland.

Cleveland may have found the answer to its center field problem in Woody Held of Kansas City and fancy Vic Power takes care of first base where Ward and Mickey Vernon have been splitting the work. Power has a 22-game hitting streak. Billy Hunter, late of the A's, was fitted into the infield as the regular shortstop over the weekend.

The Yanks customary deal with the A's found Casey Stengel picking up another spot starter in Duke Maas, a fast ball pitcher who moved from Detroit to Kansas City last winter. Casey also took on 39-year-old Virgil Trucks, who has made most of the stops around the league, as his relief replacement for Grim and No. 2 man to Ryne Duren.

Al Lopez came up with a right-handed batting third baseman in Ray Boone of Detroit. Now he plans to let Billy Goodman shift back to first base for at least part time duty.

ENTERS COURT — Cincinnati Redleg pitcher Don Newcombe enters Essex County Courthouse in Newark with his attorney, Morris Barnett, to plead not guilty to a charge of atrocious assault and battery.

Newcombe of Dodgers Sent to Redlegs in Exchange for Bilko and Klippstein

Don Newcombe Case Goes to Grand Jury

World Telegram New York May

Special to World-Telegram and Sun.

NEWARK, Jan. 9.—Pitcher Don Newcombe and his two brothers waived a hearing on assault charges today and the case was sent to the Essex County grand jury. They were continued in parole of their attorney.

The trio are accused of assaulting a former East Orange policeman recently in their tavern. Don and Norman pleaded innocent two weeks ago to assault charges. Harold Newcombe pleaded innocent to charges of threatening the plaintiff, Ulysses Ross, 36, with a gun.

Mr. Ross' attorney, John Palmieri, argued at the brief session in Municipal Court that since an alleged pistol threat was involved the case was more than simple assault and was not under jurisdiction of that court. He also sought to have the Los Angeles pitcher and his brothers held in bail but was turned down.

Newcombe Pays Fine For Rule Infraction

June 9-1958

CHICAGO (AP) — Los Angeles Pitcher Don Newcombe Saturday decided to pay a $300 fine, rather than accept a 3-day suspension, after being charged by manager Walter Alston with breaking training rules in Chicago Friday night.

The fine was announced and Newcombe made his choice at a clubhouse meeting before Saturday's game in Wrigley Field with the Cubs.

HURLER IS TRADED AFTER SIXTH LOSS

New York Times June 17 1958

Newcombe's 12-Year Tie to Dodgers Ended—Bilko to Add Power to Club

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LOS ANGELES, June 16 (AP) — Don Newcombe packed his clothes today and headed for Cincinnati after being traded to the Redlegs by the Los Angeles Dodgers.

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Cincinnati parted with Steve Bilko, a first baseman; Johnny Klippstein, a pitcher, and an unannounced sum of money for big Newk, once considered the mainstay of the Dodgers pitching staff, Don has not been able to post a victory so far this year.

The deal which also calls for the optioning of a Redleg pitcher, Charley Rabe to the Dodgers' Montreal Farm, was closed an hour before the midnight trading deadline. The Redlegs decided to press for the trade about ten hours earlier during the second inning of the Dodger's game with Pittsburgh.

Homer Barrage Last Straw

Frank Thomas, Bill Mazeroski and Vernon Law, a pitcher, reached the big right-hander for home runs over the Coliseum's left field screen. Newcombe trudged from the mound burdened with his sixth loss of the season, and, as it turned out, his twelve-year association with the Dodgers nearing an end.

Newcombe was signed by the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1946 and sent to Nashua in the New England League. Also joining Nashua that year was Roy Campanella. It was probably more than coincidence that Newcombe's worst year in baseball was the one that finds Campanella's career ended through an automobile accident.

The two formed a strong battery at Nashua, Montreal and with the Dodgers through the years of Brooklyn's supremacy in the National League. Between them they won the league's most valuable player award four times—Campanella three times and Newcombe once.

Newcombe's big year was 1956, when he won twenty-seven and lost seven for the pennant-winning Dodgers. Besides being named the most valuable man in the league, he won the Cy Young Award as the best pitcher in either league.

Shoulder Injured Last Year

A shoulder injury bothered him last year and he slipped to an 11-12 record. This season, the year of the big switch to Los Angeles, he's had nothing except trouble. On more than one occasion he blamed his poor showing—and that of the team as a whole—on the loss of Campenella.

Taking on a 32-year-old pitcher with an 0-6 record might be regarded as a gamble, but Cincinnati's manager, Birdie Tebbetts, greeted the trade enthusiastically.

"We needed a front line guy who can make it big for us and we believed Newcombe is the one who can do it," he said.

In Bilko the Dodgers are getting a right-handed power hitter who loves to hit in Los Angeles. Bilko has four homers this season and is batting .264. Klippstein has won three and lost two games.

Bilko and Klippstein will join the Dodgers in Philadelphia tomorrow. Newcombe flies out tonight or tomorrow for Cincinnati. Newcombe, obviously disappointed at the turn of events, shrugged it off. "It's one of those things in baseball," he said.

Frick Disallows Request

LOS ANGELES, June 16 (UPI)—Commissioner Ford C. Frick has disallowed a request to place Don Bessent, an ailing relief pitcher, on the disabled list, the Dodgers said today.

The club announced last night it was placing Bessent on the disabled list to make room for Steve Bilko and Johnny Klippstein, who had been obtained from Cincinnati in a trade for Don Newcombe.

Frick informed Buzzie Bavasi, a Dodger vice president and general manager, that he would not approve the Bassent request without having investigated the case further.

Bessent has been laid up with arm trouble for several weeks and Bavasi said by placing him on the disabled list the Dodgers would remain under the player limit. The club did not indicate what action it would take under Frick's order to get under the limit prior to tomorrow night's game at Philadelphia.

Associated Press Wirephoto

FOND FAREWELL: Don Newcombe chats with Buzzie Bavasi, general manager of the Los Angeles Dodgers, after being informed that he had been traded to Cincinnati Redlegs.

Expensive Escapade

Newcombe Fined $300 For Night On Town

P. P.D. Sun. 6-1-58

Miami Herald

CHICAGO —(UPI)— Los Angeles General Manager Buzzie Bavasi slapped a $300 fine on burly right hander Don Newcombe Saturday for breaking the club's curfew.

The fine was the most severe ever meted out against the lanky fast ball pitcher, who in 1955 was fined a day's pay for refusing to pitch at batting practice.

"I can't understand Don," manager Walt Alston said. "The club is going bad and he stays out all night."

Alston said he and Bavasi met with Newcombe in their Chicago hotel room at 10:30 a.m. to discuss "Newcombe's problems," then told him he was fined $300 for his Friday night escapade.

Newcombe, who arrived at the ball park about an hour later, went through a furious workout. When he finished he was a picture of fatigue and perspiration.

"I have nothing to say about anything," Newcombe said in the dugout. "I did wrong and that's all there is to it."

Alston said he was not angry at Newcombe but thought that since the club took it on the chin twice Friday at the hands of the Chicago Cubs, "it may have had something to do with Newcombe's actions."

Newcombe Hurls Cincy Over Giants

Washington Post

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 21 (UPI)—Don Newcombe, aided by Alex Grammas' three-run double, finally won his third game of the season today as he pitched the Cincinnati Redlegs to an 8-1 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

The former Dodger hurler started the contest with a 2-11 record. Then had little trouble going all the way after the Redlegs gave him a four-run lead in the first inning. It was Newcombe's first triumph since July 18.

Grammas hit a two-bagger over Willie Mays' head in left center with the bases full in the first inning. All three runners scored.

Newcombe held the Giants to six hits, one of them a tremendous home run by Leon Wagner in the second inning which cleared the barricade in right cneterfield and hit the fence behind it on a line about 420 feet away.

Cincinnati scored one unearned run off reliever Gordon Jones, who pitched seven and one-third innings, then climbed aboard Paul Giel for three more runs in the ninth. The former Minnesota footballer loaded the bases with three walks after starting the inning, then gave way to Don Johnson. Ed Bailey singled in two runs and Walt Dropo doubled him home.

CINCINNATI	ab	r	h	rbi	SAN FRANCISCO	ab	r	h	rbi
Temple,2b	3	2	2	0	O'Conn'l,2b	3	0	0	0
Lynch,rf	4	1	0	0	bSpeake	1	0	0	0
Whisen't,lf	3	1	0	0	Giel,p	0	0	0	0
Robins'n,cf	3	2	0	0	Kirkl'nd,rf	4	0	0	0
Bailey,c	5	0	2	2	Mays,cf	3	0	1	0
Dropo,1b	4	1	3	2	Wagner,lf	4	1	3	1
Gram's,3b	3	0	1	3	Cepeda,1b	4	0	0	0
McMil'n,ss	5	0	0	0	Jabl'ski,3b	4	0	1	0
Newc'be,p	4	1	2	0	Spencer,ss	3	0	1	0
					Schmidt,c	3	0	0	0
					McC'm'k,p	0	0	0	0
					Jones,p	2	0	0	0
					aLock'n,2b	1	0	0	0
					Johnson,p	0	0	0	0
Totals	34	8	10	7	Totals	32	1	6	1

aGrounded out for Jones in 8th.
bStruck out for O'Connell in 8th.

Cincinnati	410 000 003—8
San Francisco	010 000 000—1

E—Jablonski, Wagner. PO-A—Cincinnati 27-13, San Francisco 27-17. DP—Spencer, O'Connell and Cepeda; Temple, McMillan and Dropo; Jablonski, Schmidt and Cepeda. LOB—Cincinnati 9, San Francisco 5.

2B—Temple, Grammas, Dropo. HR—Wagner. S—Temple, Grammas, Whisenant.

CINCY PITCHING

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Newcombe W, 3-11)	9	6	1	1	1	4

GIANTS' PITCHING

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
McCormick (L, 9-6)	⅔	2	4	4	3	1
Jones	7⅓	6	1	0	0	1
Giel	⅓	0	3	3	3	0
Johnson	⅔	2	0	0	0	0

HBP—By Johnson, Grammas. B—Jones. U—Barlick, Jackowski, Delmore, Dandes. T—2:30. A—10,983.

Newcombe Wins, 6-1, For Reds

Herald

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Tribune

CINCINNATI —(AP)— Don Newcombe, with a brilliant tight six-hit pitching performance, went all the way Wednesday night to his first victory this season, defeating St. Louis Cardinals, 6-1, in his first appearance as a Cincinnati Redleg. The Reds stacked up 10 hits in the victory that boosted Cincinnati into the National League's No. 3 spot.

But Newcombe had to pitch his way out of big trouble in the ninth inning.

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He had a three-hitter going until Gene Green caromed a single off the leg of Red third baseman Don Hoak. Curt Flood and Hal Smith followed with singles that crammed the bases.

The big former Los Angeles Dodger got pinch-hitter Irv Noren to hit an easy pop fly and Hobie Landrith grounded out to end the game.

St. Louis	AB	R	H	Cincin'ti	AB	R	H
Blas'me, 2b	4	0	0	Temple, 2b	2	0	0
Cun'ham, lf	3	0	0	Lynch, rf	2	1	1
Musial, 1b	4	1	1	apRob'n, lf	1	0	0
Boyer, 3b	4	0	0	Bell, cf	4	2	2
Green, rf	4	0	1	Crowe, 1b	4	0	3
Flood, cf	3	0	2	Hoak, 3b	3	1	0
Smith, c	4	0	1	Thur'n, rf	3	0	0
Kasko, ss	2	0	0	McMil'n, ss	1	0	0
d;Noren	1	0	0	Bailey, c	3	1	1
Jackson, p	1	0	0	Gram's, ss	3	1	1
Wight, p	1	0	0	b-Whis't, rf	1	0	1
c-Moon	1	0	0	New'be, p	4	0	1
McDaniel, p	0	0	0				
e-Landrith	1	0	0				
Titals	33	1	6	Totals	31	6	10

a—Flied out for Lynch in 4th.
b—Singled for Grammas in 7th.
c—Grounded out for Wight in 7th.
d—Popped out for Kasko in 9th.
e—Grounded out for McDaniel in 9th.

St. Louis	100 000 000— 1
Cincinnati	102 010 20x— 6

RBI — Musial, Lynch, Bell, Crowe, Whisenant, Newcombe. E — Boyer. PO-A — St. Louis 24-14, Cincinnati 27-10. DP — Blasingame, Kasko and Musial (2). Left — St. Louis 8, Cincinnati 12. 3B — Lynch. HR — Bell, Musial. SB — Flood. S — Temple. WP — Jackson. Balk—Jackson. U — Boggess, Sudol, Gorman, Burkhard. T—2:35. A—17,060.

Pitching Summary

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Jack'n (L, 5-3)	3 2-3	4	3	3	5	3
Wight	3 1-3	6	3	3	2	0
McDaniel	1	0	0	0	3	0
New'be (W, 1-6)	9	6	1	1	3	2

'Cold' Satch Paige Signs '58 Contract

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A snowbound Leroy (Satchel) Paige returned his signed contract to the Miami Marlins Wednesday.

Along with the pact was a short note to General Manager Joe Ryan that read, "I wanted to get down there in time to see the circus last week but I couldn't get out of this place (Kansas City) because of the white stuff. I'll be in Miami as soon as I can. It's too cold to do any fishing up here."

Paige, the Marlins leading hurler last year with a 10-8 record, is the fifth Miamian to put his name on a contract for the 1958 International League season.

Satchel Paige Is Hard Man To Really Pin Down

MIAMI — (UPI) — Pitchin', fishin', or talkin', Leroy (Satchel) Paige is a hard man to pin down. The hurling of baseball's showman phenom already is a legend. Past 40 when he broke into major league baseball, Paige worked more than five years for Bill Veeck's Cleveland Indians and St. Louis Browns. He still is going strong 10 years later for the Miami Marlins in the International League.

Sachel's "fishin'" is a legend too. That's generally where he is when Marlin officials or newsmen go looking for him.

When anyone appears to doubt a tale of his latest catch, Paige ushers the listener over to his car, lifts the trunk lid and displays a good-sized fish in a special ice box he had built for the car. There are some teammates who say the fish is almost as old as the big-footed pitcher.

But it is at "talkin'" that the self-made philosopher really shines. He had thrown more curses from the locker room on the subject of his age than he ever has from the mound.

At the start of the season, Satchel again told folks he is 49.

Pinned down, he grinned: "If you is going to force me into a little research work. Ah'll study it. Maybe ah'd better move my age up a little bit this year."

Later, Paige says, "I was born Sept. 21, 1908, in Mobile, Ala., and ah's got records to prove it."

A magazine looked up the Mobile records in 1953. All it could find was a birth certificate for a "Leroy Page," dated July 7, "Paige" a year later.

The Marlins staff reported Paige is as fit as a rookie. His face still shows no age wrinkles, he has a fine crop of non-grayed hair and his own teeth "plus a few that belong to somebody else."

Whether 50, 52 or more — Paige himself probably has forgotten — it has made little difference to batters who face his "mound psychiatree."

"I put that rosin on my britches," said the venerable Satch. "I slap my thigh and those batters' legs begin to wobble. They figure my pitch is going to do the loop deloop. When it comes swishing down the middle, straight and fast, they're too surprised to swing and the umpire yells 'strike'."

When accused of throwing a spitball or using some other trick, Paige retorts, "I've never thrown an 'illegal pitch.'

"The trouble is some of my pitches were never seen by this generation until I came along."

Satchel thinks he is good for another 10 to 12 years of pitching.

"But I gotta have that warm weather," he specified. "That cold's the only reason I didn't take any of those major league offers the last couple years."

Paige fancies himself a batting threat. Confront him with the record — one hit in 40 tries last season and none for 17 by midscoffs: "Somebody's lousing up mah batting average. I'm a clutch hitter."

Paige has an answer for anything, including a suggestion that "My mother always taught me never to tell a lie," he says —

She said if it don't sound good to you then you couldn't expect anybody else to believe it.

He's Turning Actor

'Satch' Paige Says He May Quit Baseball

LEROY (Satchel) PAIGE

... "he ain't nothin' but a hound dog"

HOLLYWOOD, Calif.—Satchel Paige, who still ain't admittin' nothing about his age, may be giving up on baseball!

Mind you now, the veteran pitcher, who has probably seen more baseball diamonds than any other man alive, isn't saying he's through, but he's beginning to make noises like he might be. Courier P.28

Satch, who has never had any difficulty as an actor on a baseball diamond, is now eyeing a career as a real live actor on the screen. It has been disclosed here that film producer Chester Erskine has signed the ageless hurler for a feature roll in the movie, "The Wonderful Country."

SATCHEL, WHO has confirmed his new role said, "I ain't running out on baseball. But I'm thinking maybe baseball is running out on Satch."

Pittsburgh Pa

"For the past three years," he said, "I've been the top pitcher in the Interntaional League with Miami, but I ain't been put in an All-Star game yet. I don't understand that and I don't understand baseball."

Paige, who has always had a knack for being late, was supposed to report to the movie company in Mexico this week. The veteran hurler, who arranged for his passport in Kansas City, said everything went along fine.

When asked what age he put down on the passport, Satchel, sly as always, said, "I told him I was 49, like I am. Well when I said that the man said I'm the only one who knows and he put that down."

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IN THE MOVIE, which also stars Julie London and Robert Mitchum, Satchel will play the roll of a sergeant in the Texas locale play. He didn't seem worried about learning his part either.

"I'll study up on my script like I always did in baseball. I'll eat and sleep it. I like the idea of all this money in the movies. If I can make the grade, then I'm through with baseball."

Of course nobody is taking Satch seriously when he says he won't return to baseball next season. After all he's been around a long time and he demonstrated this season that he hasn't forgot how to win.

One thing though, this idea of Satch turning actor doesn't sound bad either. After all, a picture called, "The Satchel Paige Story" with Satch in the lead role, would probably be a sure-fire box-office attraction.

Satchel's Way

Advertiser

Satchel Paige, who has been playing baseball so long many people think he may have invented the game to avoid going to work, is now a motion picture actor.

Montgomery Ala

Voluble as ever, the famous Negro told an interviewer the other day that he likes the work fine, particularly since "it looks like me and baseball is through." Satch has discovered that acting is a breeze: "You get to sit down a lot and the money's real good."

Wed. 12-24-58

If Satch's role as a U.S. Cavalry sergeant of the Old West strains credulity, he's making the most of it:

"You take this horse now. They give me a horse to ride and I never been on one in my life before. But in two days I got control like I got control in baseball and they tell me I'm a regular Wyatt Earp."

On location he's learning from such old pros as Robert Mitchum, Jack Oakie and Albert Dekker. His co-stars say he's a born actor, which is no news to baseball fans or students of Paige wisdom. But whether he will leave baseball permanently for the screen, Satch won't say:

> First we got to see how this here picture (*The Wonderful Country*) turns out. But I got to admit Bob Parrish, the director, says I'm battin' a good .750 in them rushes. So if things work out, ol' Satch won't be tossin' that high hard one for Miami next season — or for anybody else. Anyhow, it's time I started thinking about a permanent job. After all, I can't go on playing baseball forever.

This last statement is overly modest. Satch admits he's been playing at least 43 years. Long ago he adopted a code of living which has kept him eternally young. We have reprinted the Paige credo before, but with the New Year about here it will bear reprinting:

¶ Avoid fried meats which angry up the blood.

¶ If your stomach disputes you, lie down and pacify it with cool thoughts.

¶ Keep the juices flowing by jangling around gently as you move.

¶ Go lightly on the vices such as carrying on in society. The social ramble ain't restful.

¶ Avoid running at all times.

¶ Don't look back. Something might be gaining on you.

That summarizes just about all the doctors and philosophers know about sensible living.

Austin Team Demands OK For Negroes

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP)—President Allen Russell of the Austin Senators said Monday his Texas League team would not play in any series where any of his players were excluded.

"The Austin club will not participate in a series in which all players cannot participate," Russell said. He referred to Birmingham, Ala., which is in the finals of the Southern Assn. playoffs with Mobile, Ala. Birmingham has a law against interracial sports. Austin has four Negroes on its squad.

Russell issued the statement prior to leaving for Columbus, Ohio, where the question of whether or not there will be a Dixie series is expected to be decided Tuesday. The series would be between the Southern Assn. and Texas League champions.

Austin gained the final playoff round by downing season's leader Fort Worth in four straight games. It starts final play Tuesday against Corpus Christi at the Gulf Coast city.

Russell said that if Austin should be the Texas League representative with Birmingham as the opponent, there would be no Dixie Series unless all games were played where all players could take part.

E. J. Humphries of the Corpus Christi club, has said in the past he would seek permission to substitute for Negroes in the Southern Assn. city and then use Negroes in the Corpus Christi games there are three on the team Humphries is in Columbus.

RACE BAR ACCEPTED IN DIXIE BALL SERIES

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Sept. 25 (AP)—The Dixie Series, a post-season baseball play-off between the winners of the Texas League and the Southern Association was saved last night when a club owner agreed to abide by a segregation law.

Corpus Christi defeated Austin 5-4 to win the Texas League play-off. The Dixie Series will open Friday, pitting Corpus Christi against Birmingham at Birmingham.

E. J. Humphries, owner of the Corpus Christi club, said he would leave the team's three Negro players at home when there were games at Birmingham, where there is a city ordinance banning inter-racial sports.

Mr. Humphries had offered to substitute white players for his three Negroes but George Trautman, president of the minor leagues, ruled that he could not do so. "Well, we'll play 'em with our sixteen players," Mr. Humphries said.

This met the approval of Mr. Trautman, who had said he would not approve substitutions solely to replace a Negro with a white player.

Corpus Christi won the Texas League play-off four games to three. It was one of the Negroes on the club—Bo Bossard—who hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning to insure victory in the final game.

Texas League Negroes Can't Play In B'ham

BIRMINGHAM (AP) — Birminghams' law forbidding race-mixing in sports events cannot be relaxed to permit Texas League Negroes to play here, Mayor James W. Morgan said today.

Morgan telegraphed the information to George W. Trautman, minor league president, who had asked about the possibility.

Birmingham won the Southern Assn. pennant and the Shaughnessy playoffs, the latter victory putting the Barons in the annual Dixie Series.

But both Austin and Corpus Christi, competing in the Texas League playoffs, have Negroes on their squads. Austin owner Allen Russell said his team wouldn't compete in the Dixie unless all of its members could play. Corpus Christi was willing to substitute white players in games at Birmingham.

Austin leads Corpus Christi 3-2 with the sixth game scheduled tonight.

Eddie Glennon, general manager of the Birmingham Barons, said he was willing for the Texas teams to get white substitutes for games at Birmingham and the Baron club would pay half of their salaries.

He also offered to play the series in Texas after two opening games at Birmingham.

Tigers Say Pressure Didn't Force Them Into Hiring Virgil

DETROIT, Mich.—The Detroit Tigers have emphatically denied that it was due to pressure from the Briggs Stadium protest committee that they brought up a 25-year-old third baseman to the parent club as the first Negro to ever play ball for the Detroit baseball club.

"It was due to need and to availability," a Tiger spokesman told the Courier, "that we brought him up . . . not pressure from anybody."

The player is Osvaldo "Ossie" Virgil, who was born in the Dominican Republic but raised in New York's teeming Bronx.

He came to the Tigers in a deal with the then New York Giants last winter—a deal that sent third baseman Jim Finegan to them in exchange for first baseman Gail Harris and $20,000. Virgil was sent to Charleston, of the American Association.

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THE TIGERS have been sorely plagued at third base all year. The regular third baseman Reno Bertoia, hasn't lived up to expectations. He was hitting only .239 and had difficulty going to his right for hard smashes.

In Virgil they not only have a good hitter (he batted .292 in 55 games; had 23 runs, 55 hits, nine doubles, five triples, four homers, and 34 big runs batted in), but they have one of the slickest fielders to come out of the minors.

He holds the American Association record for total chances with 334 assists and 479 putouts at Minneapolis in 1956. He also led the Texas League in fielding in his minor league apprenticeship.

Sat. 6-14-58

Asked if he feared pressures as the first Negro ever to wear a Detroit major league uniform, he was quoted as saying, "I don't care about that angle. But I think I can play major league ball."

VIRGIL'S BASEBALL career has been interrupted with a two-year- hitch in the Marines. This is his sixth year in professional baseball.

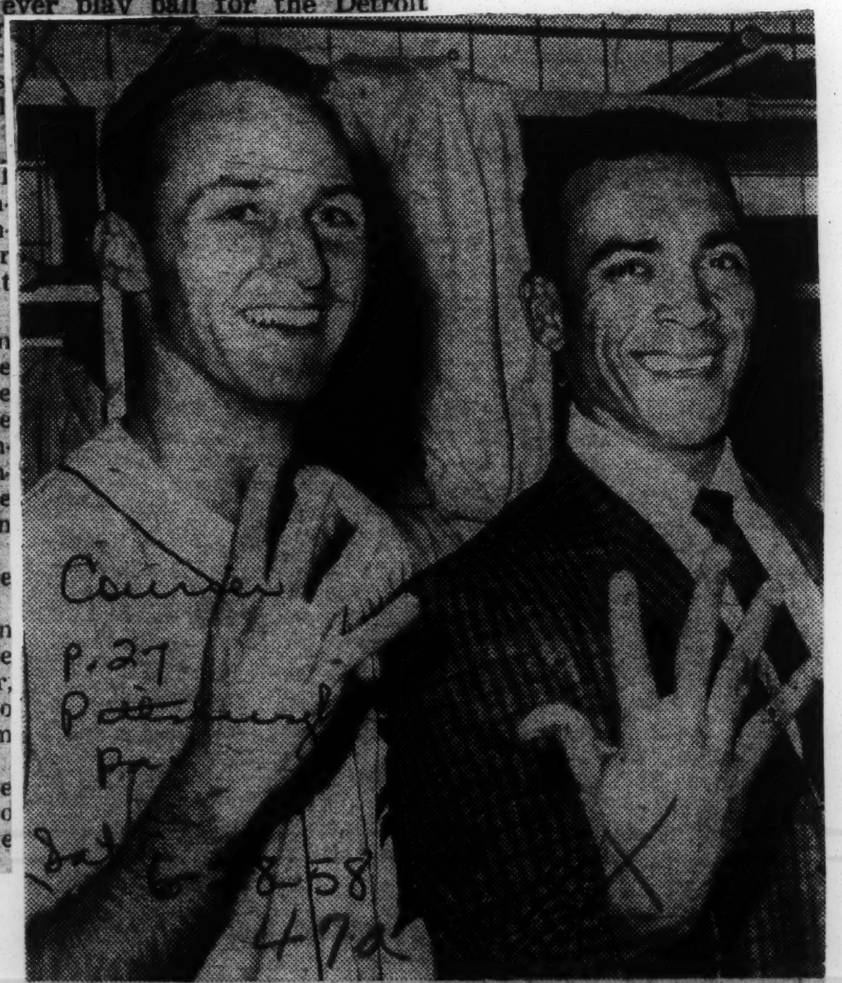
Meanwhile, the Protest Committee, elated over the hiring of a Negro by the ball club, tentatively declared that it would continue in existence to work for full and complete democracy at Briggs Stadium.

Several Negroes have been hired as groundkeepers and there is a move on to integrate the ticket sellers and venders at the stadium. Since the Protest Committee came into being and promised to picket the Stadium June 1, if a Negro was not hired on the Major League Tiger team.

The picketing never took place however.

There are 16 other Negroes in the Tiger farm system. One promising Negro is Jim Proctor, Virgil's teammate, a pitcher, who has been plagued with a sore arm this year.

Tiger officials said, "We have no plans to bring another Negro up immediately as a roommate for Virgil."



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Counting Up—Third baseman Ozzie Virgil, right, first Negro to play for the Detroit Tigers, uses all the fingers on one hand as he counts the five hits he received against the Washington Senators in his first game before Detroit fans in Briggs Stadium. Virgil has been one of the vital cogs in the Tigers' recent American League spurt. With him is teammate Frank Bolling, who bowled over Washington pitching for four hits.

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Willie Jones Makes the Shots That Keep A.U. Eagles Flying

Post + Times Herald Washington, D.C.

Mon. 3-10-58

American University, playing Evansville Indiana, in the first round of the NCAA small college tournament Wednesday at Evansville, owes much of its success to a little guy named Willie Jones.

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Willie Jones

The Eagles enjoyed their greatest basketball season in history, ending 21-5 for the regular season, a 23-5 record including two qualifying tournament games, the Mason-Dixon conference championship and 17th place in the Nation's small college rankings.

Washington's own Willie is a little man who is a big shot on the basketball court.

His 60 points in two games at the NCAA small college elimination tournament is the reason that AU is still playing the bounce-ball sport after the majority of teams have packed away their uniforms.

This performance came over the past weekend at Wagner College in New York.

The 5 foot 8 inch guard hit for 25 points in AU's opening round victory over Buffalo University and then gave a tremendous 35 point performance as the Eagles knocked off Wagner to become the Eastern representatives at Evansville.

For his all-around play Willie was selected as the outstanding player of the tournament.

The Dunbar High product led the Mason-Dixon conference scorers this season. His total for the year is 606 points, for a 21.5 average per game. He has connected on 48.3 per cent of his shots from the floor.

Willie also set a University single game scoring mark of 39 points against Lynchburg earlier in the season.

While at Dunbar little Willie was the Interhigh League's leading scorer and was a unanimous all-metropolitan choice.

Eagle coach Dave Carrasco calls Willie the most improved player on the team: "Last season when he was a freshman, Willie was a little tight and a bit shy to make the moves he was capable of making, but this year he has settled down and is a real team player."

Carrasco adds, "Willie's scoring ability causes the fans to overlook the fact that he is one of the better defensive players in the Washington area. He is like a cat on a midnight prowl when the other team has the ball."

His Eagle teammates vouch for Willie's passing and give him credit for the point totals they have compiled.

Willie's best shot is a jump shot from just outside the foul circle. He is also deadly with a driving lay up and can hook with either hand if the situation demands.

One thing sure, the "Big Shot" has the big shots.

Life Mag Favors All-Negro All-America '5'

NEW YORK—The possibility of the first all-Negro All-American basketball team is suggested by Life magazine this week.

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According to an article in the March 10 issue, there are five Negro college players "whose talents are too great and too conspicuous to be by-passed."

In choosing this year's teams, Life says, "the selectors automatically start out with Oscar Robertson" of the University of Cincinnati. "Most coaches say the 19-year-old sophomore is worth two or three ordinary players—it takes that many to guard him, and even then he gets loose to score."

Oscar Robertson is called "not the only sure-fire choice for All-America honors. On the basis of performance over the past season, it is possible—and many coaches think it very probable—that this year will see a unique All-America: Every person on it would be a Negro."

Sat. 3-15-58

THE OTHER PLAYERS, as shown in Life:

Pittsburgh, Pa.

- Bob Boozer, Kansas State. Playmaker of the country's number one team.
- Elgin Baylor, Seattle University, currently locked in a battle with Robertson for national scoring honors.
- Wilt Chamberlain, Kansas University. All-American last year. Life calls him "even more effective this season with a weaker team."
- Guy Rodgers, Temple University. The only scorer in the group whose speed, agility and ingenious ball-handling make up for his lack of height. He's only six feet.

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Valuable Signature—Guy Rodgers, Temple University All-America cage star, is shown as he signs a one-year contract to play with the Philadelphia Warriors in the National Basketball Association next season. Warriors' president, Eddie Gottlieb, holds ball and contract as Rodgers puts his name on the dotted line.

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Hail the Conquering Hero! There's no doubt about just who was the most popular guy in Chicago Stadium after Loyola U. whipped Kentucky's basketball Wildcats, 57-56, in the final second of play. Art McZier was the object of adulation, for it was he who sank the winning goal to bring down the house. Loyola fans promptly hoisted him to their shoulders and carted him around in their delirium.

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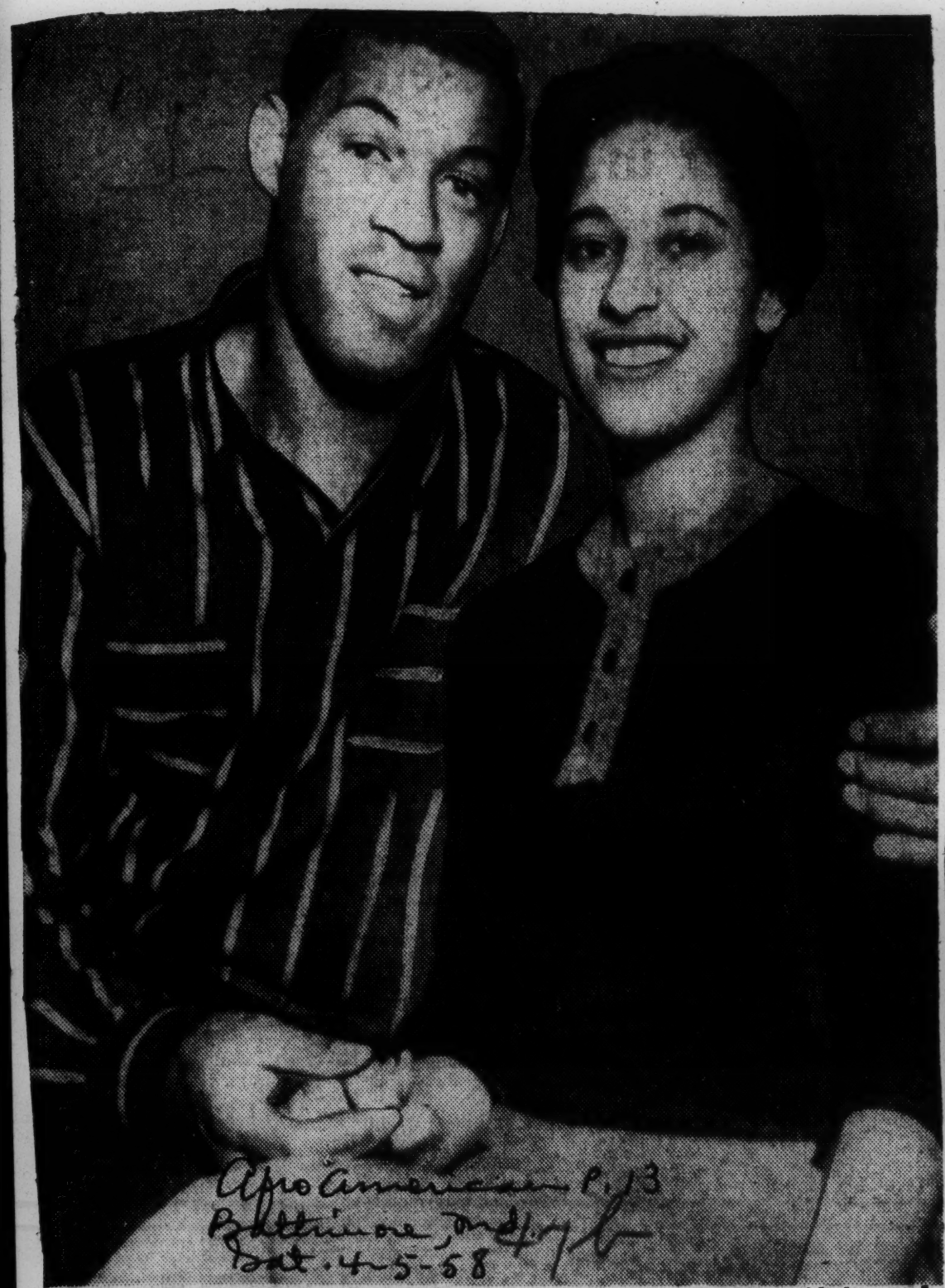

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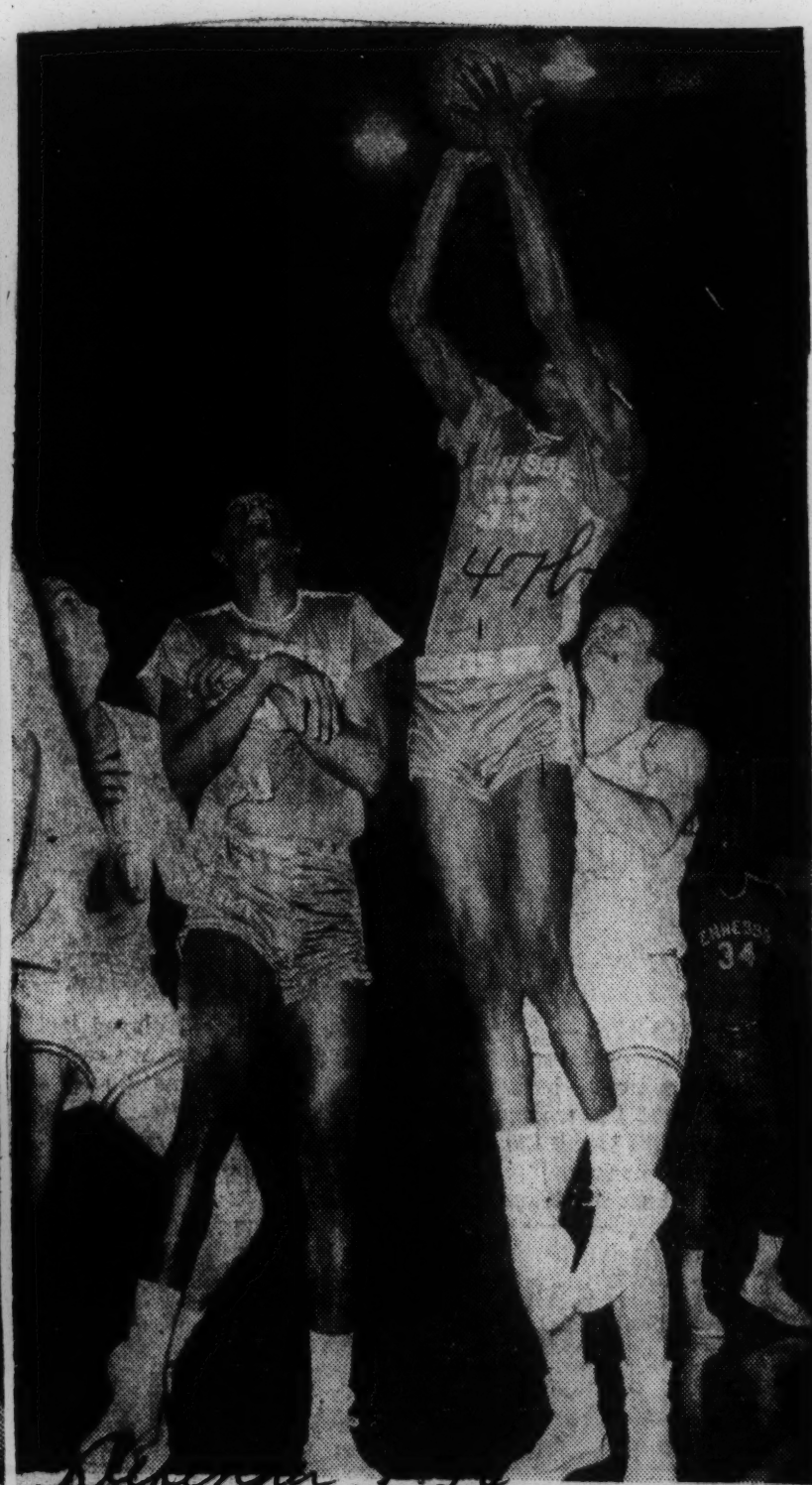
CUPID WINS—Elgin Baylor, Seattle University All-American basketball star, poses with his fiancee, Miss Ruby Saunders, during her visit to his parents here. Baylor said he and Miss Saunders plan to be married this summer.



A BOOST — Bill McAfoos of Western Illinois (20) seems to be giving Henry Carlton (33) a boost as the Tennessee State player goes high to grab a rebound in the NAIA championship game at Kansas City, Mo., which Tennessee won, 85 to 73, to retain the title they won in 1957. Watching his teammate closely is James Satterwhite (40) with John Barnhill (34) in the background. The other Western Illinois player is Bill Jack Behrends.

Experts Tab Rodgers As Top Cager

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PHILADELPHIA — (ANP) — The hot three - cornered scoring battle involving Wilt Chamberlain, Elgin Baylor and Oscar Robertson has drawn the attention and captured the fancy of basketball experts and fans across the nation.

But here in Philadelphia they insist one of the classiest performers in the collegiate ranks is Guy Rodgers, the marvelous playmaker for Temple Owls. The Owls own the longest college winning streak of the season and Rodgers is the man who has paced them to (as of this writing) 17 straight victories.

Rodgers, a 6-1 senior, had been a valuable member of the Owls for three seasons. In the two previous campaigns, he helped the team into post-season tournament.

Rodgers is not the deftest of college shooters. But this season he is averaging about 20 points a game. He recently threw in 25 one night against Duquesne and St. John's of Brooklyn.

Rodgers is a slick operative and versatile in his shooting. He is adept at using his teammates, both to his and their advantages. It's nothing in a game for him to come up with six to eight assists. That makes him all the more dangerous.

TOP TIMBER — 3-29-58

In leading Temple to the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Holiday tournament in New York City this season (the Owls' first major tournament title since 1938), Rodgers dispelled all doubts about being considered bona fide All - American timber.

He won the most valuable player award unanimously and showed that he could do just about everything with a basketball shoot, dribble, handle the ball, defend, rebound and quarterback his team.

The 180-pound Rodgers and Hal Lear, the great Temple performer of two seasons ago, gave the Owls one of the most terrific fast-break duos in history.

With Lear gone last season, Rodgers did suffer. He scored 591 points, averaging 20.4, contributed 185 assists and grabbed 202 rebounds.

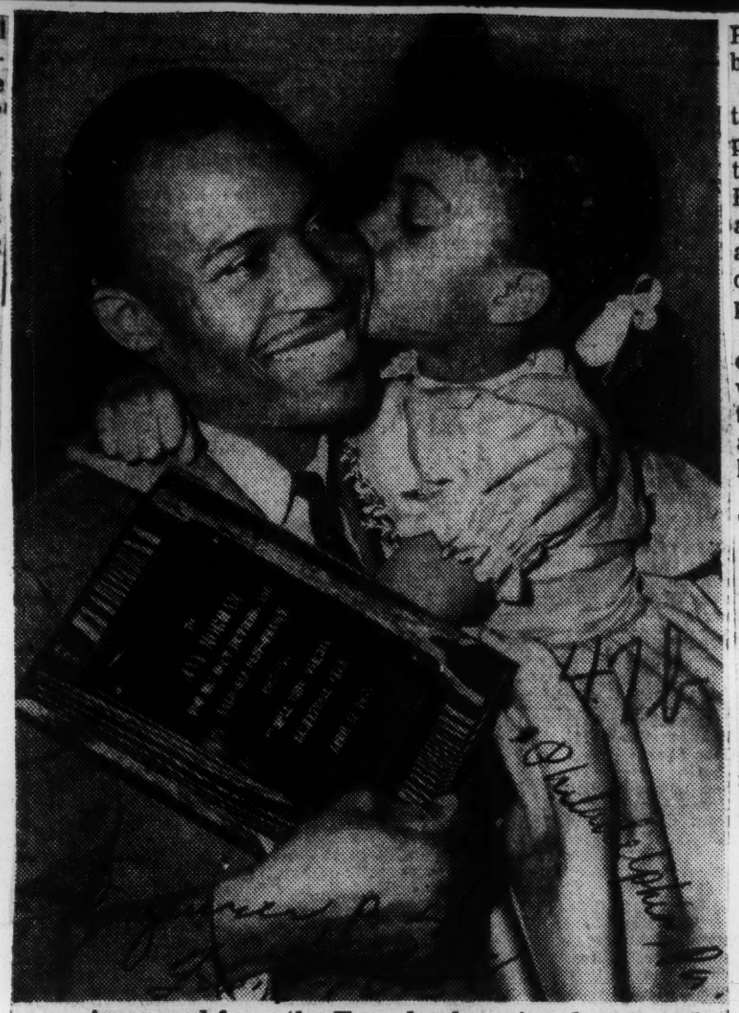
RANKING PLAYMAKER

Most experts regard Rodgers as the best college playmaker since Bob Cousy ,the famed professional and teammate of Bill on the pro-champion Boston Celtics.

Coach Pete Newell, of California, says Guy is one of the most dynamic players he has ever seen.

"Two years ago in the NCAA tournament in Evanston every coach came for the preliminary game. Not to see Lear. Rodgers. Few of us had ever seen anything so explosive."

Lear set a scoring record in that 90-to-81 victory by Temple over Southern Methodist, but Rodgers sparked his teammates with his clever feeding.



An award from the Temple alumni and a reward from his daughter, Jocelyn, 5, go to Owl star Jay (Pappy) Norman as Temple's court team is feted.

Temple Gives Litwack New 3-Year Contract

By HERB GOOD

Harry Litwack, Temple University's highly successful basketball coach, has been given a new three-year contract and has been told he can have the job as long as he wants it.

This announcement by Athletic Director Josh Cody, made before a packed ballroom at the Drake Hotel, was one of the highlights as Litwack and the winningest Owl team in history was feted at the Alumni Varsity Club's annual banquet last night.

In revealing that the university had reached a new agreement with Litwack, Cody said he wanted to end all rumors that the popular coach might take a job elsewhere.

BIG PAY INCREASE

"Believe me, he's had the opportunities," said Cody "but we're happy that he wants to stay. As long as Harry Litwack wants to remain with us he can have the job as far as we're concerned."

It was understood that the new pact called for a substantial increase in pay.

Cody reported the news after he had accepted the Eastern College Athletic Conference championship silver bowl from George Schiebler, the conference's assistant commissioner, and after presenting a Temple Pharmacy Alumni award to Litwack, voted Coach-of-the-Year by both the Philadelphia and New York basketball writers.

Litwack, who directed the Owls to the city Big Five crown, third place in the National Collegiate tournament and to the ECAC Holiday Festival tourney title in a 27-3 season, was presented with a portable television set by the old grads and a gift from his players.

In a very brief speech after receiving a standing ovation, Litwack praised his players for their "terrific" performances and said he would be proud to have any one of them as his son.

Dr. Robert L. Johnson, Temple's president who was the main speaker, expressed pride in the team's accomplishments both on the floor and in the classroom.

RODGERS HONORED

Guy Rodgers, unanimous All-America choice, received the club's most valuable player award together with a trophy from WDAS as Philadelphia's outstanding Negro athlete and an All-American certificate from the Associated Press.

Jay Norman was presented the club's Most Inspiring Player award after accepting a Middle Atlantic conference championship plaque from Everett Bailey, Ursinus College athletic director.

Rodgers and Norman also received individual club awards along with their following teammates: Mel Brodsky, Tink Van Patton, Dan Fleming, Bill Kennedy, Ophie Franklin, Pete Goss, Erv Abrams, Cliff Crispin, Joe Goldenberg, Gerry Lipson, Jack Peepe and managers Charlie Hulet and Frank Walker.

Associated Press wirephoto

What a difference—Boston, May 19—Bill Russell, 6-10 Boston Celtics basketball star, looked down to shake hands with Jockey Ismael Valenzuela who piloted Tim Tam to victory in the Kentucky Derby and Preakness, before they were honored at the sports award dinner of the B'nai B'rith Boston Sports Lodge last night.

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Did Money Cause Wilt to Turn Pro?

NEW YORK—The lure of the professional dollar may have caused Wilt Chamberlain, two-time All-American from the University of Kansas, to forsake his last year of collegiate competition.

Chamberlain, looked upon by many as the greatest collegiate player in the history of basketball, announced that he will leave Kansas and devote his time to a 160-game barnstorming tour.

CHAMBERLAIN SAID he was dropping out of Kansas because the brand of college ball he was being forced to play was hindering his progress as a player and that it was hurting his chances of becoming a star in the pro ranks.

Although the barnstorming tour of South America and the United States may bring Chamberlain as much as $50,000, the seven foot cager from Philadelphia said, in a copyrighted article in Look magazine, that money wasn't the motivating force behind his move.

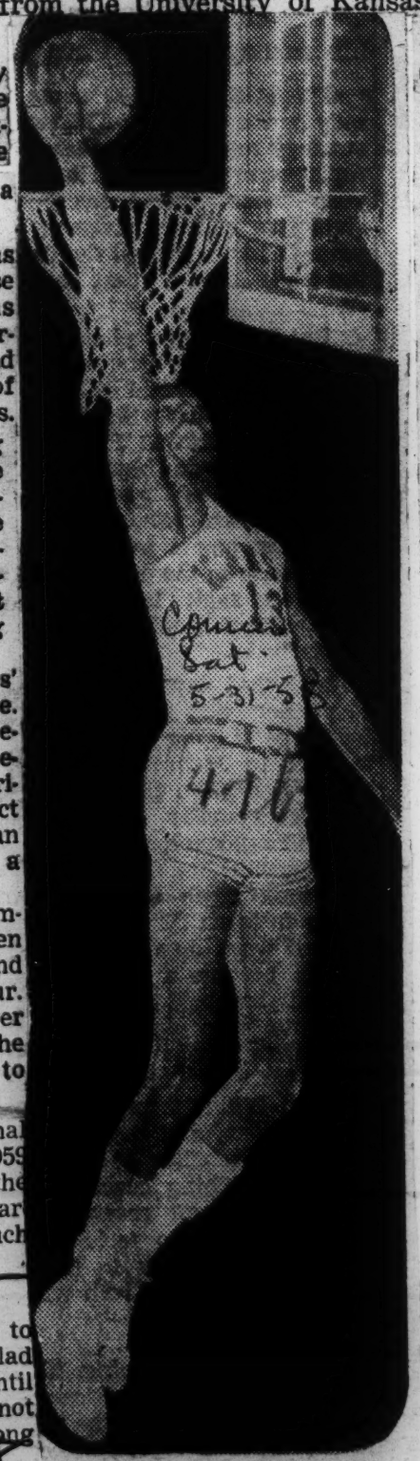
"The tactics used by Kansas' opponents was hurting my game. They put two, three and sometimes four men on me and sometimes held the ball for long periods. As a result I had to neglect many phases of play which a man should master if he is to be a real pro."

According to the article, Chamberlain will form two ten-men squads, one of Negro players and the other of whites, for the tour.

"By the time this tour is over I think I will have gained the necessary competition I need to get ready for the pro league."

When he enters the National Basketball Association in 1959 Chamberlain will become the property of the Philadelphia Warriors. The Warriors cannot touch him until his class graduates.

WILT SAYS he is anxious to play with the Warriors. "I'm glad I won't be eligible to play until 1959, however, because I'm not ready for the pros yet by a long shot—or even a jump shot."



WILT CHAMBERLAIN

During his two years at Kansas the seven foot Chamberlain was one of the most controversial and greatest publicized stars in the history of the game. Yet, despite his great performances, Kansas never managed to win the national basketball championship, one of the honors he wanted most as a player.

For the last two years rumors have circulated that Chamberlain was dissatisfied at Kansas and would forsake college for the professionals. At one time the Harlem Globetrotters were said to be interested in his services. It was not until this week that Chamberlain made the decision to forsake college for professional basketball.

Stilt Sets Shot for 'Real Money'

Chamberlain to Quit College Basketball and Turn Pro

By HOWARD M. TUCKNER

One of the most publicized players in the history of basketball, Wilt (the Stilt) Chamberlain yesterday announced he had decided to quit college basketball and that he would not return to the University of Kansas this fall.

The 7-foot-1-inch all-America star from Philadelphia will turn professional "to make some money" to help his family. He will leave shortly on a 160-game basketball barnstorming tour through South America and in this country.

In a copyrighted signed article in next Tuesday's issue of Look Magazine, in which he revealed his plans, Chamberlain also stated that the game he was forced to play at Kansas "wasn't bsketball" and that it was "hurting my chances of ever developing into a successful professional player."

Chamberlain, who is completing his junior year at Kansas, explained that he was referring to the tactics employed by the Jayhawks' opponents. He said opposition teams often defended against him with two, three and four players and that Kansas' foes sometimes held the ball for long periods.

Many Phases Neglected

Because of these tactics, he said, he had to neglect many phases of play that "a man should master if he is to be a real pro."

Though details of his proposed tour were not outlined in the article, Chamberlain said he would organize two ten-man squads, one white and one Negro, for his barnstorming tour.

The squads, he said, will consist of "real good players I know of who never got a chance to play in college or who couldn't quite make the pro grade. Bill Lueschner, who is managing the tour, thinks we can gross $250,000."

Chamberlain added that he was looking forward to playing professional basketball for the Philadelphia Warriors, the National Basketball Association club that holds draft rights to his services. According to N. B. A. rules a college player cannot join a professional team until after his class has been graduated.

"The tour will give me the competition I need to get ready for the pro league," Chamberlain said in the article. "I'm glad of that because I'm not ready for the pros yet by a long shont—or even a jump shot."

Chamberlain, who was sought by more than 200 colleges before he enrolled at Kansas, averaged 29.3 points a game as a sophomore and 30.1 last season.

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Wilt Chamberlain

7-Foot 1-Inch Star to Barnstorm in South America and U. S.

He wrote that he had never lost his temper in a game, although roughouse tactics by Big Eight Conference rivals, particularly by Missouri and Colorado players, appeared aimed at goading him to start fights.

Denying rumors that he received $25,000 to $30,000 for playing at Kansas, Chamberlain said the only aid he received from the school was the regular Big Eight athletic scholarship of board, room, tuition and $15 per month for laundry and other incidentals.

The talented center with the pipe-stem legs also denied that he had asked for $5,200, plus room, board, tuition and books, to attend Indiana.

The 21-year-old star said he had considered attending only four colleges—Dayton, Michigan, Indiana and Kansas—before he accepted the Jayhawk offer.

Statement by Kansas Coach

LAWRENCE, Kan., May 23 (UP) — Coach Dick Harp of Kansas said today he felt certain his basketball star, Wilt Chamberlain, "will go on to prove himself the finest player in the history of the game."

Harp issued the following statement:

"We are all sorry that Wilt is leaving the university. He has been a fine young man both on and off the court, and we wish him every success in his future endeavor. I am certain Wilt will go on to prove himself the finest player in the history of the game. Wilt has always been entirely honest with me in discussing his future plans. The story in Look will speak for itself."

Although Harp indicated he had known about Wilt's plans, another member of the athletic department said the article was a surprise to him.

Wilt The Stilt Quits School, Joins Globetrotters At $65,000 Per Year

By GRAY KALE

NEW YORK — (UPI) — Wilt Chamberlain, one of the most publicized players in basketball history, has left the confines of the amateur courts for the greener pastures of professionalism.

With another year of eligibility remaining at Kanas university, the seven-foot All-American from Philadelphia quit the Wheat Belt for a $65,000 contract with the Harlem Globetrotters. The pay eclipses the high mark of the estimated $35,000 received by Goose Tatum as a Trotter.

The 21-year-old Chamberlain had to decide between leading a South American tour which may have grossed over a quarter-million dollars or signing with the Globetrotters for a year. Apparently the knowledge that he could receive $65,000 without much sweat swayed the tall man.

A pile of dollar bills probably stretching to the height of the seven-footer also awaits Chamberlain when he finishes the tour with Abe Saperstein's Globetrotters. The Philadelphia Warriors of the National Basketball Association have first call on Wilt's draft rights in 1959.

The Warriors, under a special league ruling, claimed Chamberlain while he was starring as a 17-year-old high school player in Philadelphia. However, they could not touch him until his class graduated from Kansas.

Chamberlain, one of nine children who depended upon their father's meager earnings as a handyman and their mother's revenue as a domestic, was one of the most sought after schoolboy stars in the nation.

At Overbrook High, Wilt set a city record when he scored 2,252 points, 30 more than Tom Gola, La Salle college, all - American, set as a teenager with LaSalle High school. Chamberlain led Overbrook to two city championships and three league titles.

Following graduation, Chamberlain was beset with many offers from more than 100 of the leading colleges in the country, but chose Kansas University because he thought Coach Phog Allen could mature him into a top - notcher.

Chamberlain did not fail Allen. He averaged 29.3 points per game as a sophomore and upped his mark to 30.1 per contest last season.

The first indication that Wilt was quitting collegiate ranks emerged in an article by a national magazine on May 23. He said at that time he was quitting Kansas because college basketball cramped his style of play and was harming his chances of becoming a successful professional.

A barnstorming tour was what he had in mind, something that would bring in a lot of money to help his family. He had planned to take along nine other colored athletes and 10 white players to South America where the people are extremely sports conscious in the large cities.

However, a trans-Atlantic call to Saperstein in Glasgow, Scotland, on June 10, cooled this venture and Wilt decided to join the Globetrotters.

It remains to be seen, however, whether Chamberlain leaves with his new teammates for Europe where they will play at the World's Fair in Brussels, Belgium. He said it depended upon how badly he wanted to see Europe. He has been away from his family for three years, excepting for school vacations, and may decide to spend the summer in Philadelphia.

Chamberlain would like to continue his work for a B. S. degree and, as many other athletes have done, may look for his sheep skin at night school.

WILT THE STILT Chamberlain, twice-All-American at the University of Kansas, bedazzles Harlem Globetrotter boss Abe Saperstein with his basketball palming technique at luncheon in New York after it was announced that Wilt had signed with the famous all-Negro quintet for one season for a record high $65,000. UPI Photo.

WILT CHAMBERLAIN OPENS PRO CAREER ON TROTTERS CLUB

NEW YORK (UPI) — Wilt Chamberlain, the No. 1 college player in the country the past two years, makes his first appearance on the world's most famous basketball court tonight when the Harlem Globetrotters play the Philadelphia Spahs in Madison Square Garden.

The New York Knickerbockers' annual clash with the College All-Stars for the benefit of the Milk Fund is officially the feature attraction. But the ex-Kansas great, who signed a pro contract reported at $65,000, is actually the main attraction.

Chamberlain plays the backcourt with the Globetrotters and participates in their world-famed clowning.

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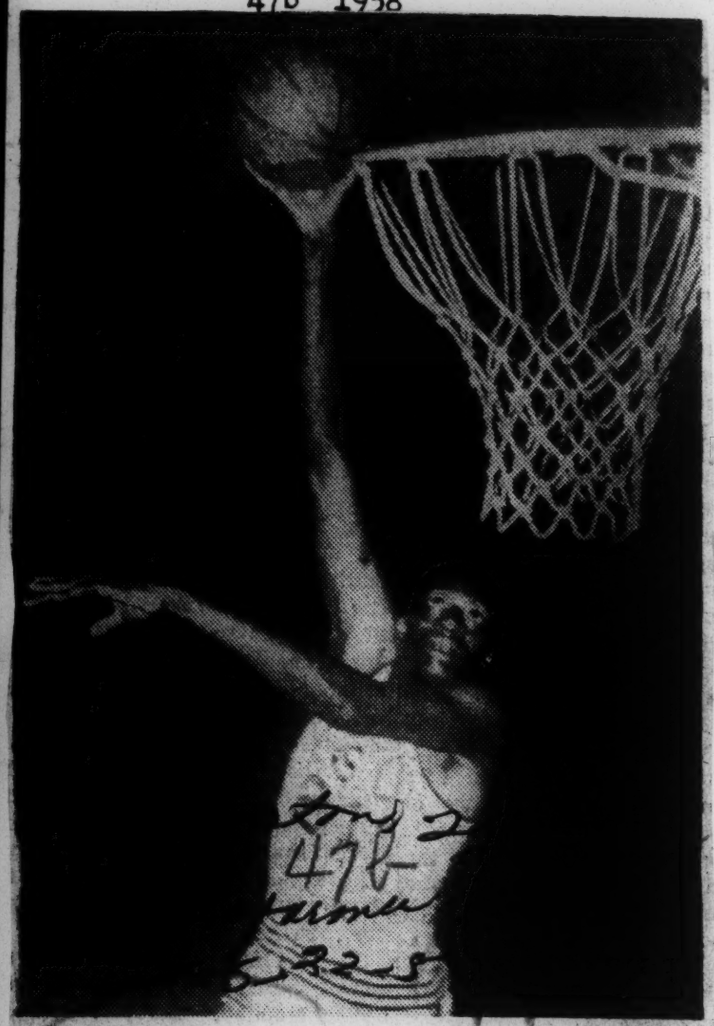

Benny Swain Talks With Boston Celts

HOUSTON - Big Bennie Swain, TSU's All American is reportedly headed for the Boston Celtics to join Bill Russell on the squad of the runnerups in the National Basketball Association championship race.

During his playing days at Texas Southern University Swain broke all scoring records at his Alma Mater. He was a four times All-Conference selection (SWAC) and three times he was chosn on the All NAIA Tourney teams (Helms Award).

Swain became the third basketball player in the history of the game to score over 3,000 points whe he advanced his scoring total to 3,007 points in NAIA tournament play against Georgetown University. Big Swain at 222 pounds possesses the agility of a 5'10" man, and the rebound ability of a good 6'11" man. With his great potention, Swain was the first draft choice of the Boston Celtics. His coach, Edward H. Adams, states emphatically that Swain will [illegible] his kettle with the Celtics because he has the ability to make any professional team in the nation.

The Celtics chief scout Bill Mokray and Coach "Red" Auerbach are both impressed with Swain's potentialities. Both are eager to sign him up with the Cletic organization. When the rumor got out that Swain was going to sign with the Globe Trotters, Coach Adams states that he received numerous long distance calls from different individuals in the Celtics organization, including President Walter Brown, asking him to use his influence to persuade Swain to consider the Celtics' offer.

According to Coach Adams, Swain was offered a bonus of 2,000 to sign with the Globe Trotters and a monthly salary of 1,100.00 a month for either an eleven and one-half month period, or for a six month period.

Swain with his phenominal rebound ability to shoot well from the outside should be just what the Celtics are looking for. The fast break employed by the Celtics should pose no problem for Swain, who has been playing that system for four years of college ball.

Community Award To Junius Kellogg

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Junious Kellogg, former Manhattan College basketball player who has been a paraplegic since 1954 when his spinal cord was severed in an automobile accident, receives the first annual Community Award in New York as an outstanding disabled member of the community from Dr. Leo Mayer, president of the Federation of the Handicapped. Kellogg will be remembered as the player who triggered investigations leading to the national basketball scandals several years ago. He is a native of Portsmouth, Va. (Photo by Mallory)

Touring Far East

Goose Tatum Will Receive $150,000 for 6-Week Tour

SAN FRANCISCO — Reece (Goose) Tatum, whose basketball antics have thrilled thousands of fans all over the world, has struck gold again.

Tatum and his Harlem Clowns cage aggregation, left here Sept. 10 for a six weeks barnstorming tour of the Far East. The basketball cavalcade will bring Tatum and his traveling group for vagabonds a guarantee of $150,000. The guarantee for the six weeks is reportedly the largest ever paid to a Negro-owned operator for a tour of this type.

According to Tatum, formerly the highest paid member of the Harlem Globetrotters, this will be his biggest venture since he formed his own basketball team last season.

"When Western Promotions, a group of San Francisco business men, contacted me concerning the tour, I was skeptical," Tatum said before departing. "I thought a trip of this kind might interfere with the commitments I already had in this country for the coming season. When they informed me that I would be back in the States by November, I changed my mind in a hurry."

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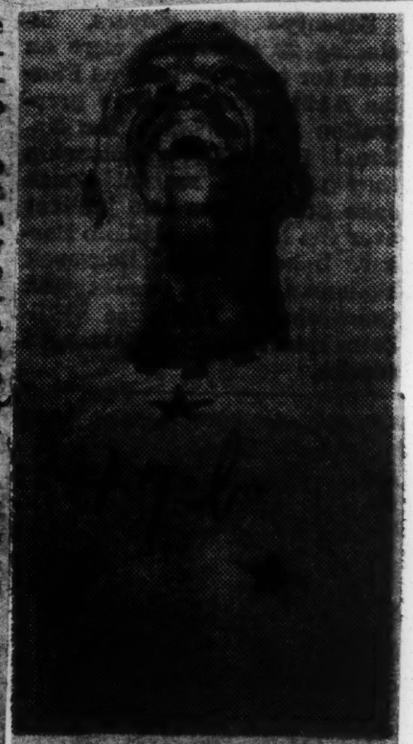
The series of exhibition games is scheduled to get underway in Tokyo, Japan, Sept. 27. Stops are also scheduled for Australia, Hong Kong, Manila, the Hawaiian Islands and New Zealand, among others.

Making the trip with Tatum are three of his former teammates with the Globetrotters. Included on the eight-man roster are Nat (Sweetwater) Clifton, Rookie Brown and Boyd Dale, the one-arm cage ace. Ted Raspberry, owner of the Detroit Clowns and Kansas City Monarchs baseball team of the Negro American League, will serve as business manager.

A group of West Coast college and professional cagers will provide the Clowns with competition on the tour.



GOOSE TATUM
... eyeing magic dollar

BAYLOR AND NEW BOSS — All-America basketball star Elgin Baylor of Washington, D.C., and Seattle University, chats with Minneapolis Laker coach Johnny Kundla after signing contract to play basketball next year for an estimated $20,000. The sum is reported to be one of largest ever paid a college player by a National Basketball Association team.

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SAYS COLLEGE PLAY HURTS PRO CHANCES

Chamberlain Quits Kansas To Launch Tour

NEW YORK (AP) — Wilt "The Stilt" Chamberlain, one of the most publicized basketball players of the generation, announced Friday he was quitting the University of Kansas to launch a 160-game barnstorming tour.

In a copyrighted, signed article in Look magazine, he said "The game I was forced to play at KU wasn't basketball. It was hurting my chances of ever developing into a successful professional player."

Then he explained he was referring to the tactics used by Kansas' opponents. He said they put two, three and sometimes four men on him, and sometimes held the ball for long periods. He said he had to neglect many phases of play which "a man should master if he is to be a real pro."

The 7-foot All - America from Philadelphia said he planned to organize two 10-man squads, one of Negro players and one of whites for the tour.

"We'll play 160 games, beginning in South America very soon and continuing the next basketball season through the United States," he added. "This tour will give me the competition I need to get ready for the pro league."

Few other details were given of the proposed campaign.

Wilt said the squads would be made up of "real good players I know of, who never got a chance to play in college or who couldn't quite make the pro grade."

He added he was looking forward to playing pro basketball in the National Basketball Assn., as a member of the Philadelphia Warriors, who hold draft rights to his services. But he cannot join the Warriors until 1959, after his college class is graduated.

"I'm glad of that because I'm not ready for the pros yet by a long shot—or even a jump shot," Chamberlain said in the magazine.

"The game I was forced to play at KU wasn't basketball.

WILT CHAMBERLAIN
Plans To Barnstorm

"I wasn't developing the all - around game I need to meet the kind of challenge Bill Russell had to face when he moved up from the University of San Francisco to the Boston Celtics.

"There is so much big talent in the pros that they don't look up to anybody."

Ed Gottlieb, owner of the Warriors, was in Europe, and unavailable immediately for comment.

At Lawrence, Kan., Dick Harp, Kansas coach, refused to comment on Chamberlain's criticism of Kansas basketball, but he wished his protege success in his new venture.

"I am certain Wilt will go on to prove himself the finest player in the history of the game," Harp said.

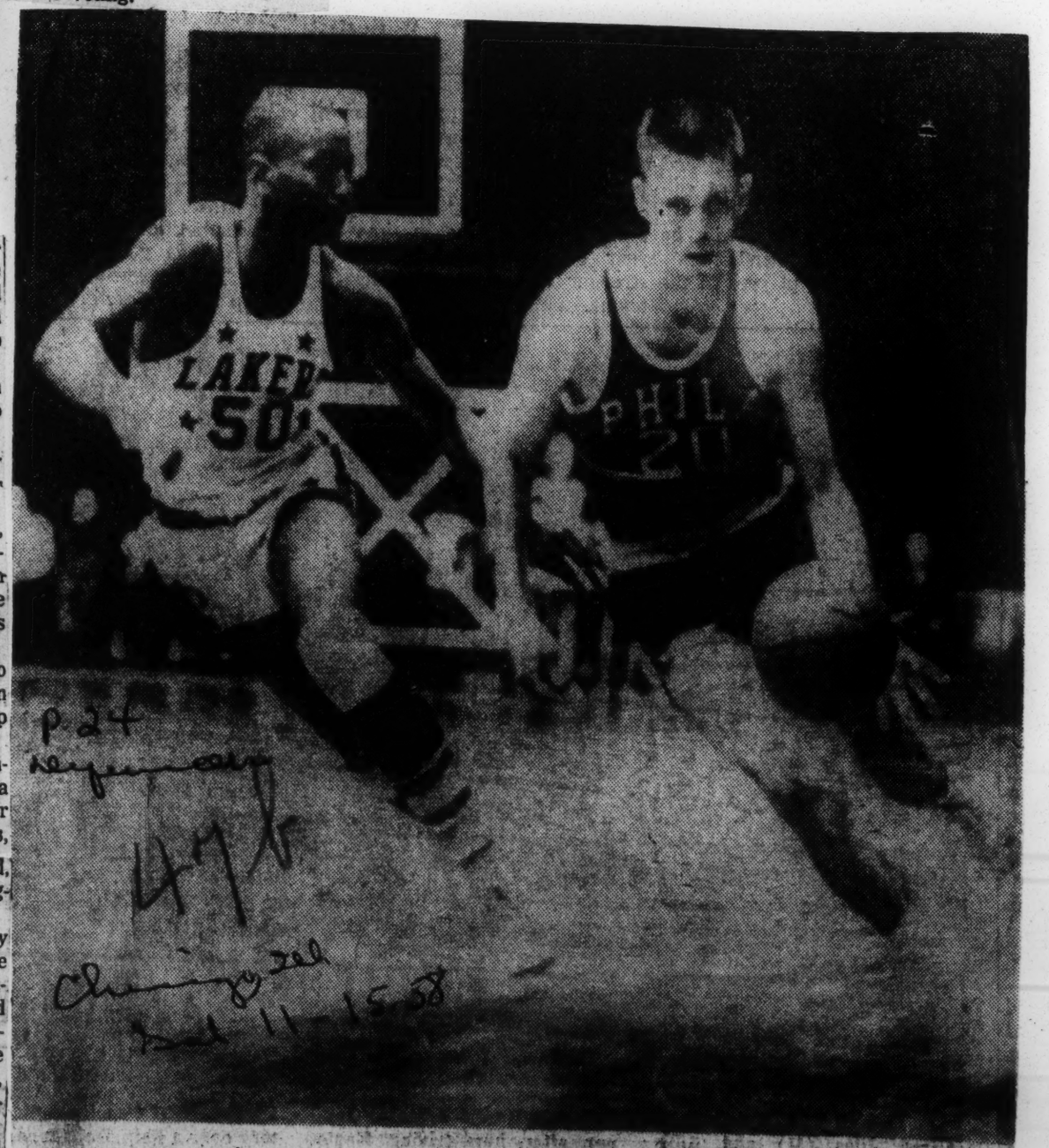
Chamberlain said the barnstorming tour would give him a chance to make some money for his family. "There are nine of us, six boys and three girls," he said, "and we've always had to struggle to get along."

The stringbean Negro, sought by more than 200 colleges before he enrolled at Kansas, said he wanted to deny reports he received $25,000 to $30,000 for playing basketball at Kansas and that he once asked $5,200 besides tuition, room and board, to attend Indiana.

He said at Kansas he received only board, room, tuition and $15 a month for laundry and incidentals.

He said he only considered four colleges—Dayton, Michigan, Indiana and KU. "Some Southern schools got in touch with me before they realized my color," he added.

Chamberlain was named on The Associated Press All-America last season for the second time. He led in the voting.



ED FLEMING (50) one of Minneapolis Lakers, puts on steam to close in on Phil Rollings (20) of Philadelphia Warriors as Rollings heads down floor for a basket during NBA clash at Minneapolis. UPI Telephoto.

Cage Star Remains in Hospital Bed

Stokes Makes Progress During Biggest Battle

CINCINNATI, Ohio—Maurice Stokes, the ailing Cincinnati Royals' basketball star, has started making progress in his long battle back from the edge of death.

Doctors who have been attending the stricken athlete disclosed this week that the former St. Francis College All-American has encouraged them with the progress he has made even though he is confined to a hospital bed and unable to move.

Still puzzled over the exact nature of his illness, doctors have failed to come up with a complete diagnosis. They believe, however, it is akin to encephalitis (sleeping sickness).

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THE 6-FOOT 7-INCH center collapsed March 15 aboard a plane en route from Detroit to Cincinnati following the Royals' National Basketball Association playoff loss to the Pistons. Hours before during the game Stokes scored 12 points and grabbed 15 rebounds.

Stokes has been transferred from St. Elizabeth Hospital, Covington, Ky., to Christ Hospital here to begin physical therapy—which in his case will consist of squeezing foam rubber pads placed in his hands.

His doctor, Ben Hawkins, said there has been considerable improvement in his condition. The physican said Stokes no longer requires ice bag packs—as many as 15-20 around him at the same time—and is able to swallow food.

Also, Pepper Wilson, the Royals' publicity man, says Stokes is "awake" a good bit of the time and sometimes is "very alert." Stokes was in a coma for the first two months.

Although he is not able to talk yet, it is possible to communicate with him by a system of charades, Wilson said.

"You ask the questions and he nods. Every now and then he makes a grimace and you ask if he has a question or wants something. He'll nod and then his twin sister, Mrs. Clarice Washington of Pittsburgh, Pa., holds up a card with the alphabet on it. She points to the letters and by elimination—with Stokes nodding yes or no—they spell out a couple of words, enough so you can guess what he wants."

Technically, Stokes, who scored 1,066 points during the NBA season for a 16.9 per game average, is not the property of the league or the club since the Royals have been sold since the season ended. The new club owners bought the Royals under a contract which said they would pay the former owners — Rex and Jack Harrison—$25,000 more if Stokes can play by Jan. 1, 1959. At the moment, this seems impossible.

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THE NBA, however, is arranging a benefit doubleheader here for the night of Oct. 21, with all the proceeds going to Stokes. Boston will play the world-champion St. Louis Hawks and the Royals, and another club not yet determined, although Detroit has been contacted and most likely will accept.

Stokes cannot use his arms or legs and can only lift his head with great effort. He eats full meals, but his sister, who has been with him most of the time during his illness, has to feed him. She also holds newspapers and magazines for him to read.

Hospital personnel say Stokes spends much of his time reading and has a specially constructed stand to hold books. His sister turns the pages.

Stokes, who was the highest paid player on the Royals, still is in "fairly good shape" financially, according to Wilson.

At least one wealthy fan, who wishes to remain anonymous, has come forward to offer help and has requested that no expenses be spared to cure Stokes. Doctors have not submitted any bills and indications are they won't.

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STOKES' MEMORY about the game and events leading up to his collapse are also starting to return. He can remember having a beer before the plane took off and recalls doctors working over him when the plane landed. The next two months are a blank.

Doctors reserve comment on what the future holds for Stokes. It is improbable that he ever will play again and chances are slight that he'll be able to walk again.

Wilson gives most of the credit for Stokes improvement to the stricken star himself.

"It's really pathetic," he said, "but that boy really has a lot of courage."

MAURICE STOKES

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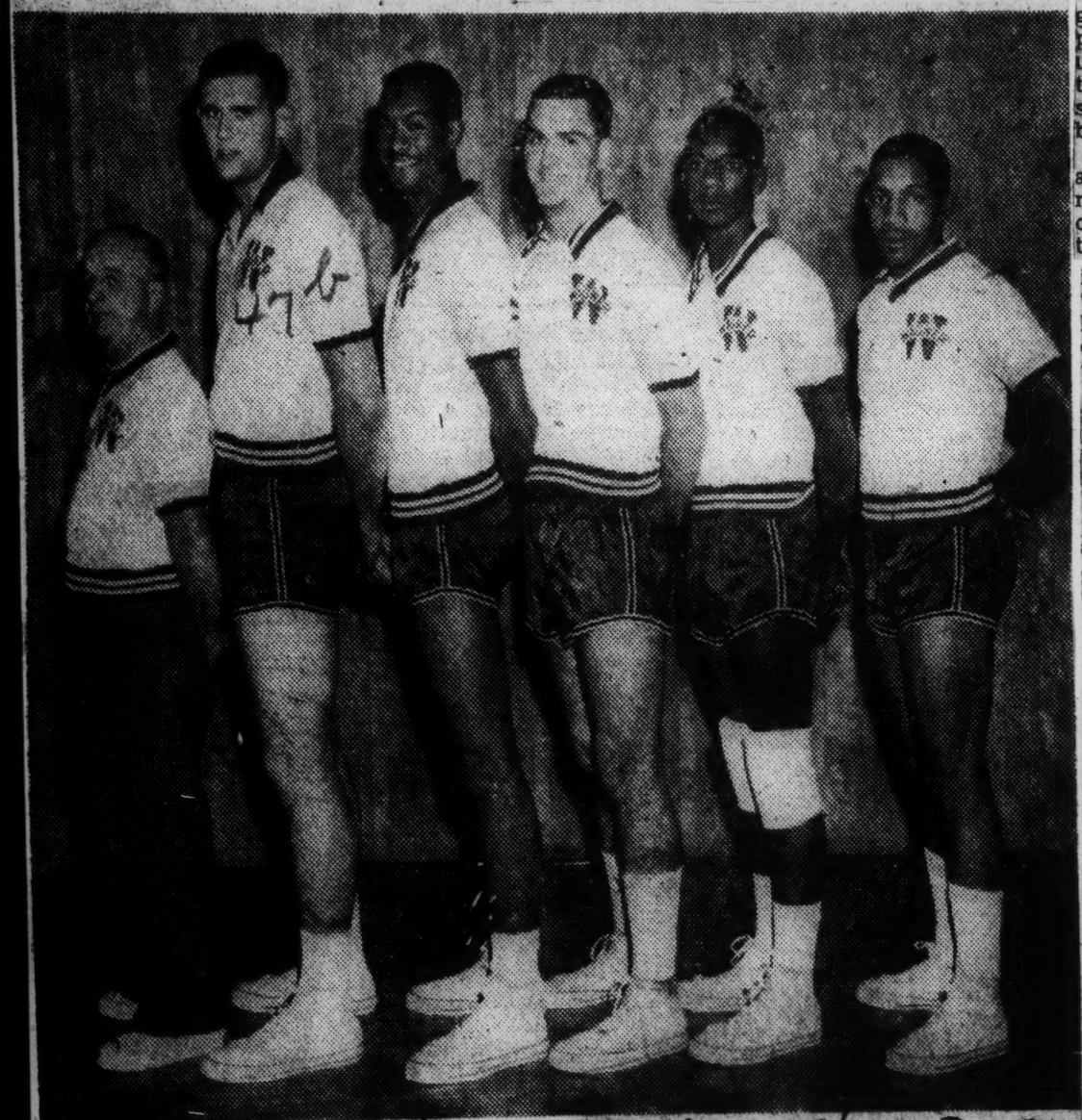
Wagner Five Remodels Its Attack



From left: Herb Sutter, coach, and Harold Junta, Fred Blackwell, Bob Farmer, John Purnell and Milfred Fierce of Wagner College basketball team. Fierce is co-captain

Will Rely on Guile to Make Up for Loss of High Scorer

By GUS MERKEL

The question of whether Wagner's basketball team will be able to mold an entirely different type of ~~team~~ team last season is the Staten Islanders' paramount concern.

"This year," said Herb Sutter, the coach, "we plan to use a more wide-open offense with the emphasis on inside screens, sharp passing and good ball handling. This is a change from last year, when we have Sonny West, the middle and concentrated on feeding him."

West was graduated in June and is now at Mount Airy Seminary, Germantown, Pa. He made second-team All-Metropolitan as a senior and had a point total of 1,552 in four seasons.

"However," said Sutter, "maybe the same thing will happen this year as in the 1953-54 season, when we lost our top man, Sonny Boles (Wagner's record scorer with 1,552 points in four seasons). That year we went to an 18-6 record. We beat such teams as Manhattan, St. John's, C. C. N. Y. and we took the Hofstra invitation tournament for the second time."

Until a few weeks ago the Seahawks' starting line-up looked definite, but since then the co-captain, Harry Orlando, has fallen ill and is a doubtful starter. He may be out for the season.

Sutter praises Orlando as the "best dribbler in the history of Wagner, who is excellent against a press as well as an outstanding set shooter and a good driver." Orlando has a two-season scoring mark of 724 points and is almost certain to break the Wagner scoring record if he plays.

In Tuesday's opener, which Wagner lost to Kings Point, 69—65, the Seahawks started Harold Junta, Fred Blackwell, Bob Farmer, Milfred Fierce, the other co-captain, and John Purnell. The team will play Upsala on Saturday.

Purnell, a 6-foot 1-inch sophomore, filled in for Orlando. He scored 486 points in his senior year at Bayonne High.

Fierce is quick, aggressive and a deadly jump shooter from medium and short ranges. Junta is expected to shoulder the biggest workload. Weighing 220 pounds and with a full season under his belt, he has the potential of bettering his mark of last season—284 points and 230 rebounds.

Blackwell is a lithe springer and a good one-handed shotmaker, but his endurance is a concern to the coach, who has to depend heavily on his starting five. Farmer, a sophomore transfer from Rollins, is a good left-handed shooter from the corners and should give the team the punch needed to win.

On the bench, which is Wagner's weak spot, Sutter has Dave Lamb, a 6-2 senior and a letterman last year; Harry Sullivan, a 5-10 junior; Herb Wendelken, a 6-1 freshman; Wally Brooks, a 6-1 freshman, and Ollie Smith, a 6-3 freshman.

Last year Wagner had a commendable record of 18—9 and won the College Division of the Middle Atlantic Conference, which qualified it for the small college National Collegiate tournament. The team advanced to the second round before being eliminated.

Sutter, commenting on Wagner's chances for the season, said: "We should do well in our own league, the Middle Atlantic Conference, but we don't have the size and depth to harass schools like Manhattan, Fordham and Villanova."

The remainder of the schedule:

Dec. 6, Upsala, away; 10, Manhattan; 13, Scranton, away; 18, Alfred; 20, Stevens; 23, Fairleigh Dickinson, away; 27, St. Peter's, away.

Jan. 7, Albright, away; 9, Adelphi; 13, Hofstra; 24, Wilkes; 26, Drexel, away; 28, Fordham; 31, Susquehanna.

Feb. 4, Villanova, away; 7, Moravian, away; 9, Pennsylvania M. C., away; 11, Brooklyn College, away; 14, Juniata; 17, Iona, away; 21, C. C. N. Y.; 25, Muhlenberg; 28, Gettysburg.

This is the eleventh in a series of articles on metropolitan college basketball teams.

TIDWELL BRIGHT STAR IN CLOUDY MICHIGAN SKY

Basketball Hopes Low but for Sophomores

BY RICHARD DOZER

[Tenth and last in a series]

One of the big ones from Illinois got away last year — and turned up on the Ann Arbor campus of the University of Michigan.

He is John Tidwell, an all-state member of Herrin's Illinois prep basketball champions of 1957 who ranks now as the Wolverines' top sophomore.

Aside from the brilliance of Tidwell and encouraging play of three other sophomores, it looms as a hopeless season for Coach Bill Perigo, however.

Lewis on Probation

The Wolverines' captain elect, Jack Lewis of Chicago, is on probation and must miss his senior year of competition because of the football parlay card distribution scandal in which he and several other Michigan students were involved recently.

Lewis was an excellent guard and averaged 11 points per game in Big Ten play last season. Also among the missing, because of graduation, are Pete Tillotson, the league's sixth highest scorer, and Randy Tarrier, a semi-regular.

Two high scoring members of last season's seventh place Wolverines are present, however: M. C. Burton, who was eighth in the scoring race via an 18 point average, and George Lee, who averaged 14.8. Lee divided his time between guard and forward last season, but with the emergence of Tidwell, he has been shifted to forward with Burton.

Miller Plays All Games

Terry Miller, junior from Fort Wayne, Ind., played in all 14 games last season and will function beside Tidwell at guard as the Wolverines face Tennessee Friday night in the opening round of the Kent, O., tournament.

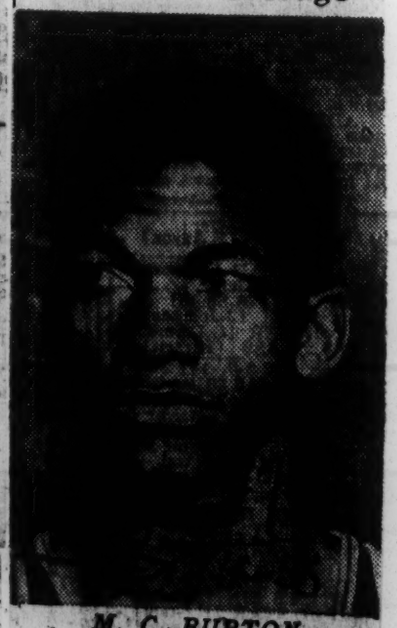
Gordon Rogers, 6-6 senior from Utica, who played in Tillotson's shadow last season, has been moved into the No. 1 center position.

3 Sophomores Help

Three other sophomores to whom Perigo looks for help are Gary Kane, Elgin, Ill., forward who has just reported after participating in football; Rich Miller, Oxford, Ind., guard, and Rich Robbins, Port Huron guard. His two top junior reserve candidates are Lowell Farris and Dale Kingsbury.

If Tidwell demonstrates he is ready to excel as a soph and if Rogers can come close to filling Tillotson's shoes, the Wolverines could climb, but it is unlikely they can improve greatly upon their seventh place station of 1958.

18 Point Average



M. C. BURTON
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Oscar's 40 Fails to Catch Seattle's Baylor

Courier-Journal

By The Associated Press

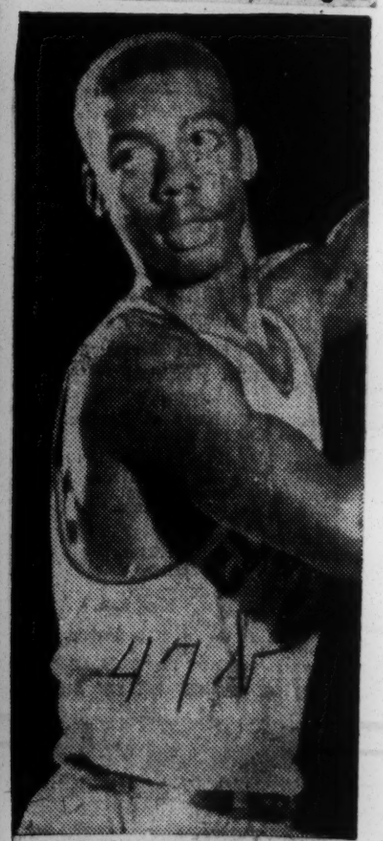
Oscar Robertson came close, but failed to overtake Seattle's Elgin Baylor last night in the race for major college basketball's individual scoring lead.

Robertson scored 40 points for Cincinnati in a 81-77 victory over Bradley for a 19-game total of 633 points and a 33.3 average. That left him just four-tenths of a point behind according to the N.C.A.A. Service Bureau. Baylor, idle last night, has averaged 33.7 in 18 games on 607 points.

Louisville Ky.

Hawkins Eighth

Tom Hawkins of Notre Dame jumped to eighth from 11th with a 25.0 average after scoring 33 points in a 90-81 victory over Butler. Hawkins has scored 217 points in seven games since January 18, averaging 31 points a game in the spurt.



Oscar Robertson
Still Trails Baylor

Hubert Reed scored only 15 points as Oklahoma City lost to Florida State and dropped out of the top 10. He had been eighth.

Don Hennon of Pittsburgh was the only other leader in action and he, too, lost ground. He scored but 17 points as Pitt beat Geneva and his No. 6 average slipped from 26.2 to 25.7.

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BIG WALT DUKES of the Detroit Pistons gave his teammate George Yardley a big boost in his race for top scoring honors in the NBA. While Yardley was scoring 52 points against Syracuse, Dukes was holding Schayes to 21 points. Yardley's NBA scoring lead now totals 82 points.

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JACK TWYMAN of Cincinnati, Ohio, holds the field goal lead by the barest of margins over Bill Russell—.4513 to .4506. Russell still commands rebound honors with a 1,135 total . . . Twyman was floored recently while firing an unsuccessful jump shot. Teammate Dick Ricketts, one of the first to Twyman's side, said, "I knew the "cat" was okay when he opened his eyes and asked, "Did the shot go in?"

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BOB HOPKINS in his second year with Syracuse, has a reserve roll against every team excepting Boston. Against the other six rivals of the Nats, he has averaged 14 minutes per, 6.5 points and 4.7 rebounds. Against Boston, where he is usually assigned to guard his cousin, Bill Russell, Hopkins serves as one of the starting five for Syracuse. His average figures against the Celtics are 31 minutes, 12.5 points and 9.5 rebounds.

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Six of the 12 Negroes performing in the National Basketball Association are averaging in double figures. Willie Naulls of the New York Knicks continues as the top beige scorer with an 18.7 average . . . Ed Fleming of Minneapolis is one of three players on the team who has seen action in everyone of the Lakers' games this season. Other players who haven't missed a ball game this season are Walt Dukes of Detroit and Ray Felix of New York.

Robertson clings to scoring lead

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CHICAGO (ANP) — While Wilt Chamberlain was idled because of Kansas semester examinations, Oscar Robertson clung to his lead in the national collegiate basketball scoring race.

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The talented Universtiy of Cincinnati sophomore has scored 493 points in 14 games through the weekend of Jan. 25 for a 32.8 average. Chamberlain, in 12 games, had registered 389 points for a 32.4 average.

Baltimore

TRAILING the midwest stars was Elgin Baylor, brilliant all-around player for Seattle University. Baylor had tallied 393 in 13 games, giving him an average of 30.2.

Wayne (Goose) Embry, who had been high as fourth with a 25.6 average, dropped out of the first 10 when Kent (Ohio) State held him to a mere six points.

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Sixth in the race last weekend was Hal Greer, senior at Marshall (Huntington, W. Va.), whose 327 points in 13 game sgave hi man average of 25.2.

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OTHER LEADERS included: Alex (Boo) Ellis, Niagara, 303 points and a 23.2 average; Tom Hawkins, Notre Dame 282 and 21.7; Al Inniss, St. Francis (NY), 208 and 20.8; Guy Rodgers, Temple, 280 and 20, and Bob Boozer, Kansas State, 249, and 19.2.

IN REBOUNDING, Inniss was first with 236 recoveries in 859 chances for a .275 percentage. He was followed by Ellis, with 259 in 998 for .260. Baylor, third, had retrieved 245 in 1079 for .227.

In fourth place, Johnny Green, Michigan State, had snared 215 in 953 for .226. Embry, sixth, had 232 in 1179 for .195, which was a notch below Chamberlain, sixth, with 220 in 1052 for .210.

NATION'S HOTTEST HOTSHOT — Elgin Baylor, elongated star of the Seattle University basketball team, relaxes in his room at the school. The former Spingarn High School (Washington, D.C.) ace leads the nation in scoring, boasting an average of 34.4 points per game for 19 contests. Second to Baylor in point-getting is Oscar Robertson of Cincinnati, with Wilt Chamberlain of Kansas third.

Elgin Baylor & Co., continue to sparkle on cage front

Tan collegians cut up a merry caper over the past weekend, headed by Elgin Baylor, the former Washington, D.C., high school boy, leading scorer in the nation.

The 6-foot, 6-inch Seattle University sensation racked up 43 points in a game Friday night, to bring his average for 19 contests to a lofty 34.4 points per game.

Baylor thus pulled out into the lead in the three-way battle between himself and two tan contemporaries, Oscar Robertson of University of Cincinnati and Wilt Chamberlain of Kansas University.

ROBERTSON, AS of Sunday morning, was boasting a 33.3 points average for the 19 games he has played with the Cincy five. Chamberlain, ex-Philadelphia schoolboy sparkler, showed 31.1 points as an average for 15 games played with the Jayhawkers.

This trio was well in front of the other collegiate players of the nation.

Continuing hot on the pace of Baylor, Robertson banged the hoops for 30 points in Cincinnatti's 71-59 victory over Oklahoma State, and Chamberlain tallied 34 as Kansas overpowered Iowa State, 90-61.

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IN THE MEANTIME, Tom Hawkins, who recently smashed the all-time scoring record at Notre Dame, re-entered the spotlight with a scintillating formance against North Carolina.

Hawkins dumped in 33 points to lead the Irish to an 89-70 triumph over last year's NCAA champions and No. 1 ranking collegiate five.

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ON STILL another front, Johnny Green was the story as Michigan State took over the lead in the torrid Big Ten race.

Despite the fact he had to withdraw from the game in the first half with a slash over his left eye, and returned for only a short period in the second half, Green—playing with six stitches in the wound—counted 17 points as top scorer. His rebound play also contributed mightily to the Spartans' 69-56 verdict over Illinois.

Leading scorer for the losing Illini, incidentally, was another tanster, Govoner Vaughn.

MEANWHILE, Connecticut's classy quint, heavily infiltrated with tan talent, moved into its second straight automatic NCA berth on Saturday by routing Rhode Island College, 102-57.

With Al Cooper, Bill Schmidt, Wayne Davis, Eddie Martin and Alex Johnson all contributing, the Huskies sealed their 10th Yankee Conference title in 11 years. The victory assured Connecticut a place in the upcoming NCAA playoffs.

—SAM LACY

Temple May Skip NCAA Tourney on Race Issue

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 17 (AP) Temple University's sixth ranked basketball team will not play in the National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament next month unless the three Negroes on the team can live together with their teammates.

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Temple, with an 18-2 record and the longest current winning streak in the nation — 17 straight — is a cinch to represent the Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) in the NCAA tourney. The Owls would get a bye into the quarterfinal round.

Two Negro Starters

Two of the Temple starters, All-America candidate Guy Rodgers, and the team's top rebounder, Jay Norman, are Negroes as well as substitute Ophie Franklin.

"It would disrupt the morale of our squad to have the boys separated," said Cody.

"We want definite assurance that our team can eat, sleep and live together or we won't go, if, of course, we are selected by our conference," said the former Vanderbilt all-around athlete and a product of the South himself.

Cody said he was told by newspapermen who had been south recently that various tournament sources indicated the Temple team could live and travel together.

"Few Things to Clear up"

'It's fine for them to tell us that everything will be okay," said Cody' 'but there are still a few things I want to clear up. I understand that, Tom Scott will talk with me when we play Wake Forest at Winston Salem, N.C., Wednesday night."

Scott is athletic director at Davidson College and chairman of the regional tourney at Charlotte. Cody said arrangements have been made for the team to live together at Winston Salem for the Wake Forest game.

The Temple athletic director said the whole situation could become ludicrous in that the Charlotte regional might wind-up with all northeastern teams playing before a segregated audience.

He explained that the Atlantic Coast Conference winner and the Southern Conference champion play at-large teams in New York for the right to go to Charlotte.

"Should the two southern teams lose, you would have four northeastern teams playing before a segregated crowd," he said.

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Tuskegee Five Wins, 51-25, From Chicago

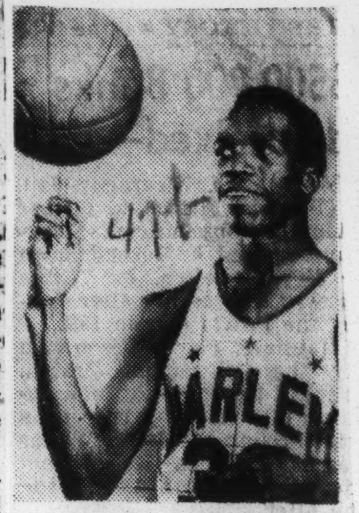
TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala., Jan. 2 — The Tuskegee Institute High Baby Tigers, with superlative ease, tripped St. Elizabeth High, Chicago, 51-25, here in Logan Hall on New Year's Eve in the first intersectional scholastic basketball game played in Tuskegee in years.

Frank Sanford, Baby Tiger forward, drilled 17 points to lead his teammates to the surprisingly easy victory over the Chicago combine which has won several national championships, including one in early 1957. Aided by Walter Kennedy, towering Baby Tiger center, who rammed 14, and Harold Cole, who dumped 12, the Tuskegee Institute High group forged ahead, 7-4, in the early part of the first quarter to outdistance their rivals all the way.

Coach A. Reuben Alba substituted freely throughout the game and gave everyone of his players a chance to see action against the visitors from Chicago.

St. Elizabeth, a Catholic High School, is usually a fearsome quint to handle on the hardwood. However, this highly touted group lacked the smoothness in passing and playmaking and accuracy in shooting. Point after point was missed from the charity stripe, a deficiency that cost them dearly in the point totals for the evening.

However, Melville Brown, after a shaky and uncertain start in the first half, found the range in the second stanza to amass a total of 12 points which was nearly half of his teammates point-making efforts.



LEON HILLIARD
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Dribbling sensation with Stars

A new dribbling sensation, Leon Hilliard, will appear with Goose Tatum and his Harlem Stars when they make their annual visit to Birmingham, Sunday, Jan. 19.

Hilliard is one of several new stars Tatum has added to his team this season. A veteran of seven years in professional basketball, Hilliard is from Chicago and jumped directly from high school to pro ranks.

Next to Tatum himself, he probably is the most "traveled" basketball player in the business, having played throughout the world.

Other stellar performers with Tatum this season will include Jim Tucker and Charlie Cooper, former all-Americans at Duquesne University; Lester Burke, six foot, seven-inch giant from Little Rock; Boyd Buie, the only one-armed player in professional basketball, and Marland (Showboat) Buckner, a five foot, two-inch ball handling sensation from Fort Scott, Kan.

An afternoon game, starting at 3 p.m., will be for white spectators, and a night game, beginning at 8 p.m., will be for colored fans.

A strong professional team, to be announced, will play the Stars.

Iowa Has Five Negro Players

Iowa City, Ia. (ANP)--Iowa, perennial contender for Big Ten basketball honors, has its largest collection of tan players in history.

Five are on the roster of the Hawkeyes, which scored one of the conference's surprising wins by upsetting Illinois last week.

Tan players include senior Tom Payne, juniors Clarence Wordlaw and Americus John-Lewis and sophomores Nolden Gentry and Bobby Washington.

The accent this year for the Hawkeyes is on sophomores. Gentry and Washington are a pair for the most promising in the conference.

Gentry and Washington were teammates at West Rockford (Ill.) high school, where Nolden won All-American honors in 1956. Gentry (6-7, 185 pounds), 21, can shoot, rebound and defend is regarded as the Hawks' standout sophomore.

Washington (5-10, 165 pounds) is an excellent ball handler and defender.

Wordlaw, a starter most of last season as a sophomore, finished second in scoring with 255 points. Clarence (6-3, 185) was an outstanding student and athlete at Crane High in Chicago.

Payne (6-6, 203) was the leading team last season in points scored and rebounds before he was sidelined as a scholastic casualty in January.

John Lewis saw action in 16 games last season. Wonderfully built (6-8, 231), John Lewis needs only to speed up his reactions to become top rebounder. He is a hard worker and was a prep all-stater when he played for Breaux Bridge, La.

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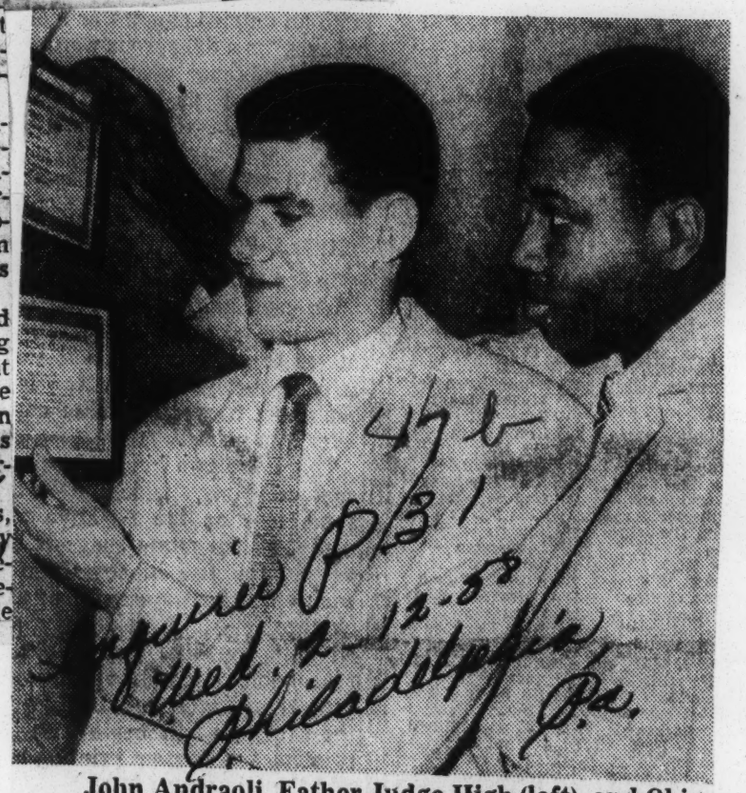
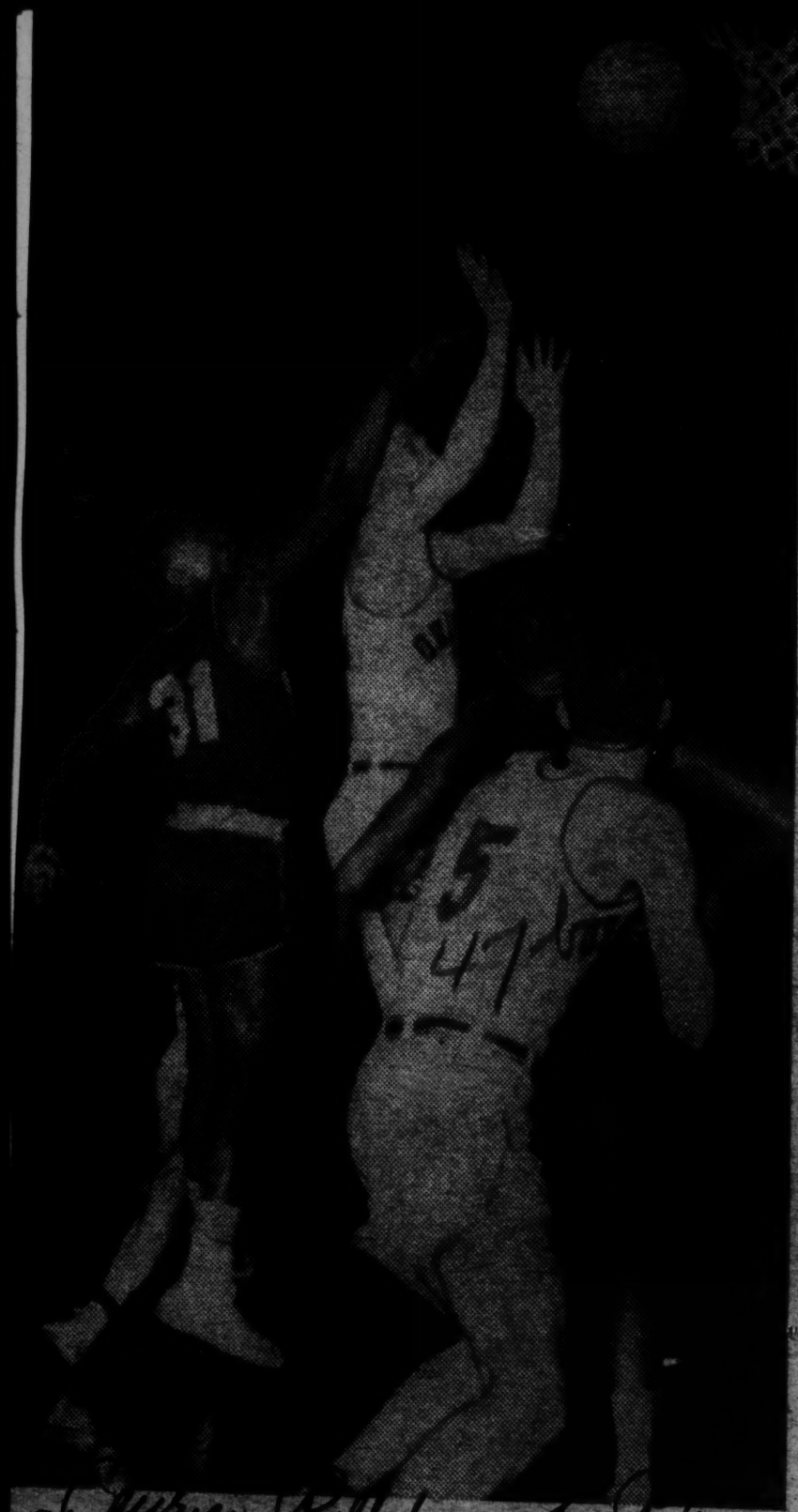
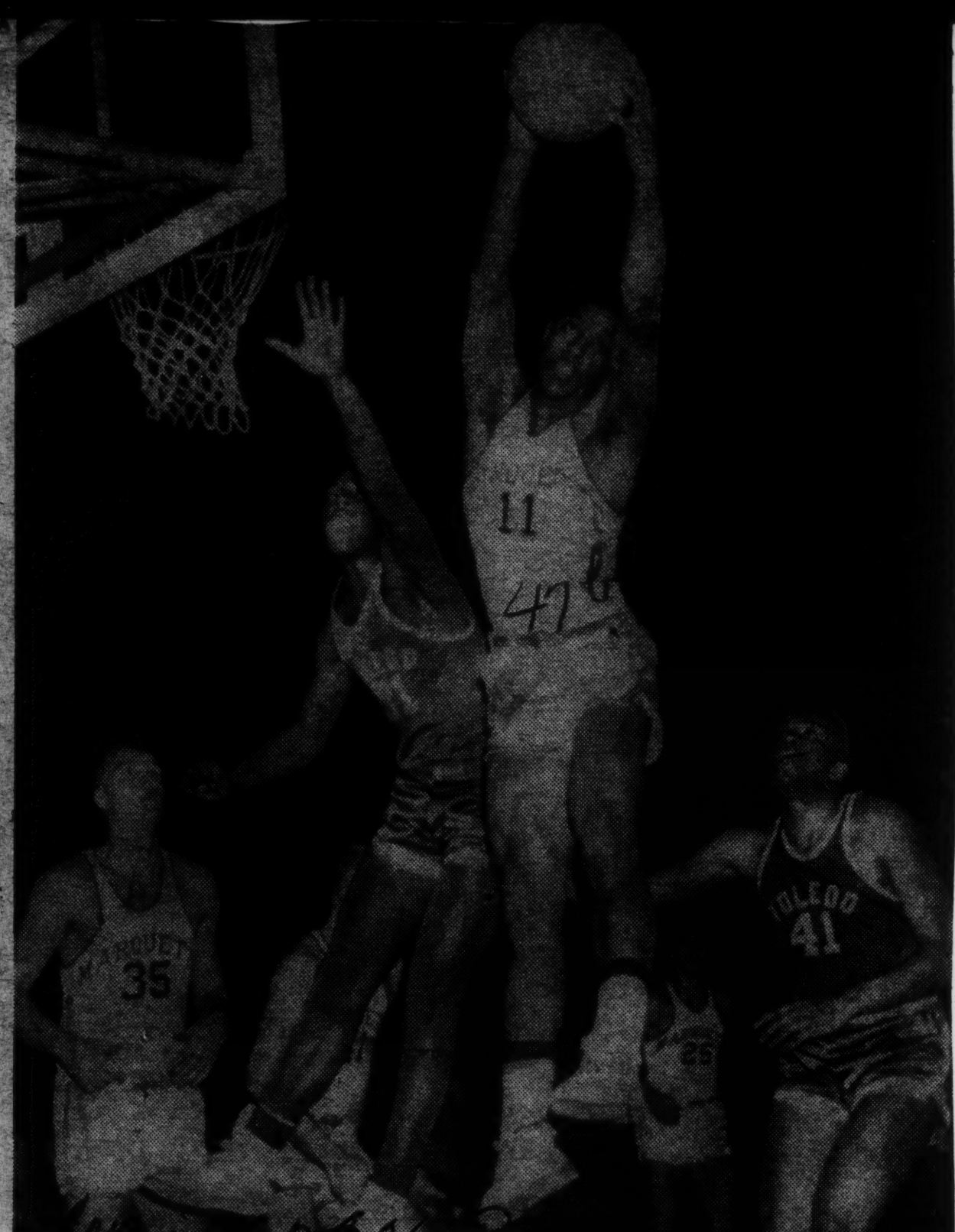


John Andraoli, Father Judge High (left), and Obie Snyder, Germantown, display basketball citations at William H. Markward Memorial Club luncheon.



Ohio State Miss— [illegible] of Ohio State misses a shot near the foul line during a game against Purdue. Surrounding the Ohio State ace is Harvey Austin (31). Ohio State won a close 75-73 decision.



Big Stretch— Walt Mangham, Marquette forward, jumps more than basket high to take a rebound away from Toledo University's Willie Newsom (31) in a game in Milwaukee. Marquette won the closely contested game 58-55. Mangham was a high school All-America basketball star at New Castle High School in New Castle, Pa., before matriculating at Marquette.

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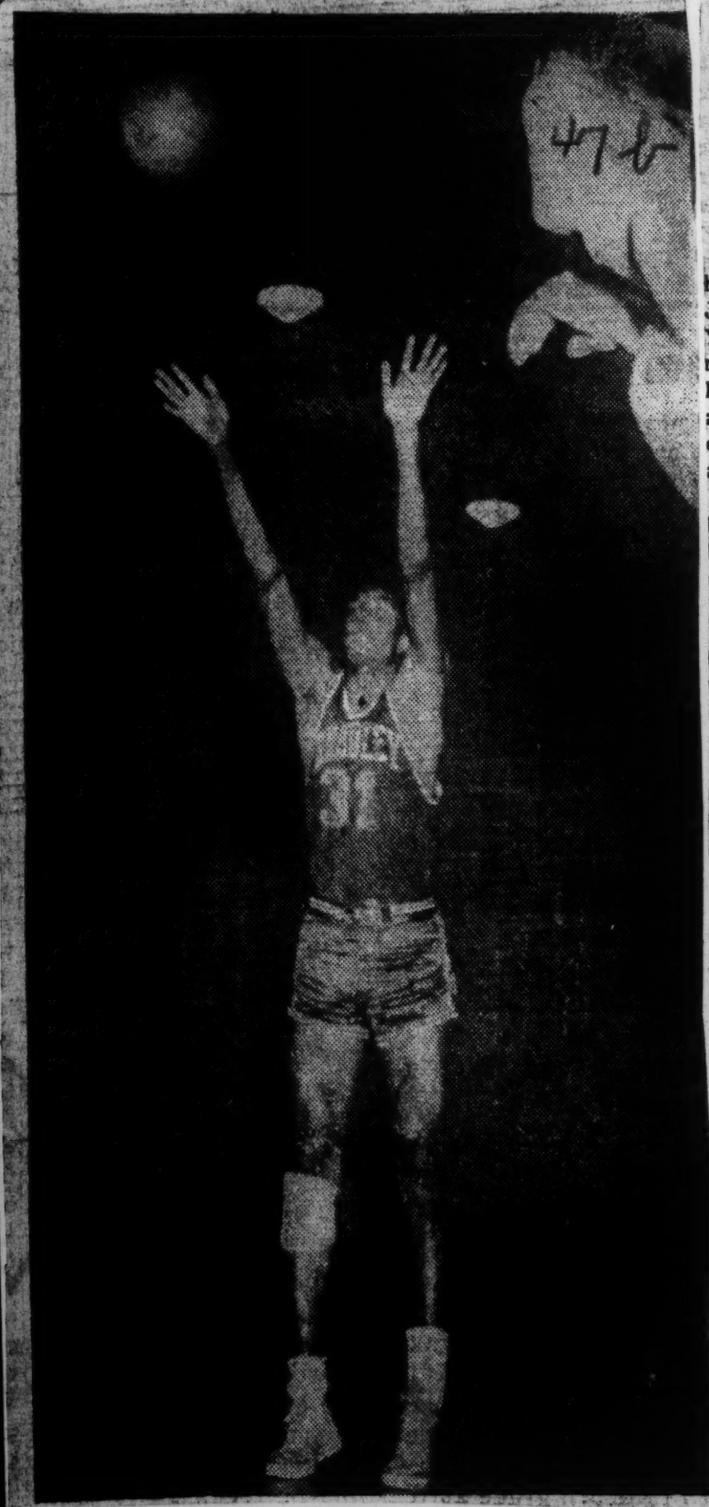

Joe Bill McDade Has Straight 'A' Bradley Average

Informer Houston, Texas

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HOUSTON — Word reached here this week that not only is Joe Billy McDade, former Jack Yates High School student, and now a basketball star for Bradley University holding his own athletic wise, but is hitting an even more perfect mark in his academic efforts.

In the Feb 6 issue of the Peoria Ill Citizen an article bylined by Max Seibel pays the following glowing tribute to the Jack Yates graduate:

"Good news overshadowed the bad Tuesday when Bradley University revealed the results of the first semester grade period which sidelined but one varsity basketball player.

"Danny Smith, the 6-4 sophomore from Yonkers, N.Y. an economics major, was ruled ineligible because of scholastic reasons.

"Smith, WHO scored 16 points in a relief role during the final half of the 71-70 loss period of the victory at Drake will be making his final 1957-58 appearance during Saturday night's game at Oklahoma State.

"Joe Voegele, an outstanding freshman from Spalding, likewise was ruled ineligible and will be unable to compete with Joe Stowers' Papoose the second semester.

"All of the other varsity and freshman players made it. One, Joe Billy McDade of Houston, Texas, proved that he is even more proficient in the classroom than on the hardwood.

"McDade, 6-5 and a sophomore, with a 10-point scoring average, hit in his studies like no one will ever hit on a basketball court.

"A pre-law student, McDade aimed for the top in five subjects covering the hours. The result was 14 hours of A work, or a perfect eight-point average.

"McDade, a surprise package when he arrived on the hilltop unheralded in the fall of 1955, has always been known for his book ability.

"He graduated from Jack Yates High of Houston in the Spring of 1955, ranking 12th in a graduating class of 180.

"McDade received a scholarship provided by a local (Houston) benefactor and was allowed to attend any school in the nation.

"It was a surprise to Bradley officials when he enrolled on the hilltop.

"McDade, one of the leading factors in last year's NIT championship drive, has been a regular this year while the Braves soared to 12 victories during their first 15 games.

"His subjects at Bradley are Money, Credit and Banking, Advertising, Marketing, American Constitution and American Government."

Knoxville Wins SIAC Title

Bulldogs Nip Clark In Final

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala. —Sparked by the sensational all-around play of Jackie Fitzpatrick, rangy 6-foot-3 sharp - shooter from Somerset, Ky., the third-seeded Knoxville college Bulldogs, of Knoxville, Tenn., squeezed out a 68-64 victory over the unseeded Clark college Panthers, of Atlanta, Ga., in the finals of the silver anniversary SIAC basketball tournament, played Saturday night, here at Logan Hall gymnasium.

It was a thrilling game most of the way, with drama galore packed into the final six minutes of play, when Clark wiped out a nine-point deficit and climbed on top, 57-55. With Fitzpatrick and Edward Jones, Clark's fast - driving guard from Orange, N. J., matching basket for basket, the score was later deadlocked 62-62 and 64-64.

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SEWS UP GAME

Then in the final minute of play, Fitzpatrick shot a field goal from underneath and cashed-in on two charity tosses to put the game "in the bag," and give the Bulldogs their second tournament championship. Knoxville won the tournament for the first time in 1956.

The Clark Panthers, who upset the top - seeded Florida A&M university Rattlers, 80-74, in the semi-finals, put up a stirring battle before going down to defeat.

The ten-team event got underway here Thursday with Clark defeating Fisk university, 64-52, and later shading South Carolina State college, 61-60. Knoxville romped to an 88-75 triumhph over Morris Brown college and polished off Benedict, 90-85.

Knoxville was ahead, 21-12 midway the first half and clug to a 37-30 margin at half-time. The Bulldogs managed to hold on to a 51-48 margin midway the final stanza, with the upset-minded Panthers fighting hard to close the gap.

LEADS THE SCORERS

Displaying expert marksmanship and uncanny precision, Fitzpatrick led the scorers with 36 points, and got lots of help from Randolph Moore, Charles Frazier and Robert Austin. Jones, who finished in the No. 2 spot with 28 points, was ably supported by Eugene Walker, Robert Bell, Gerald Tate, Oscar Holden and Milton Fields.

FLORIDA WHIPS BENEDICT

In the consolations finals, the Florida Rattlers, who captured the 1957-58 visitation crown with a brilliant 16-and-1 record, ran away from the Benedict Tigers 91-67. The defending champion Rattlers had previously defeated the Bethune - Cookman college Wildcats, 81-79, while the Benedict Tigers, seeded No. 2 by the tournament committee, beat the Alabama State college Hornets, 85-81, and nosed out the Morehouse college Maroon Tigers, 63-62.

With the scoring well distributed between Julius Williams, Leroy Gibson, James Forchion, Carl Evans, and Leon Collier, the Rattlers forged a 43-37 lead at intermission and turned the game into a route in the final stanza. Key men for Benedict included: Edward Murphy, Walter Simon and Leonard Triplett.

TOURNAMENT SCORES

First Round

Clark	64
Fisk	52
Benedict	85
Alabama State	81

Quarter-Finals

Knoxville	88
Morris Brown	75
Florida A and M	81
Bethune-Cookman	79
Clark	61
S. C. State	60

Semi-Finals

Clark	80
Florida A&M	74
Knoxville	[illegible]

Grambling, Tennessee Scene of Clashes

Top Ten Quintets Vie for Tourneys

Ten of the nation's top basketball teams are involved in a giant struggle this week for three national tournament berths.

At stake are bids to the national Small College NCAA tournament and the NAIA tourney.

In District 29 of the NAIA, North Carolina College and Morgan State College of the CIAA, plus Lincoln University of Missouri and Tennessee State A&I University of the MWAA will be playing in a Nashville tournament, March 6 and 7.

In Grambling, La., North Carolina A&T of the CIAA; South Carolina State of the SIAC; Philander Smith of the Gulf Coast Conference, and Grambling College of the MWAA will be contending for an NCAA berth, March 7 and 8.

The third berth at stake is for the representative team from District 6 of the NAIA and involves the winner of the Texas Southern-Florida A&MU best two out of three series, which was concluded earlier this week.

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NORTH CAROLINA A&T won its chance for national fame by becoming the fourth CIAA club in history to win both the visitation and the tournament titles in the Durham playoffs, clipping the North Carolina Eagles 70-63 in a thrilling finale.

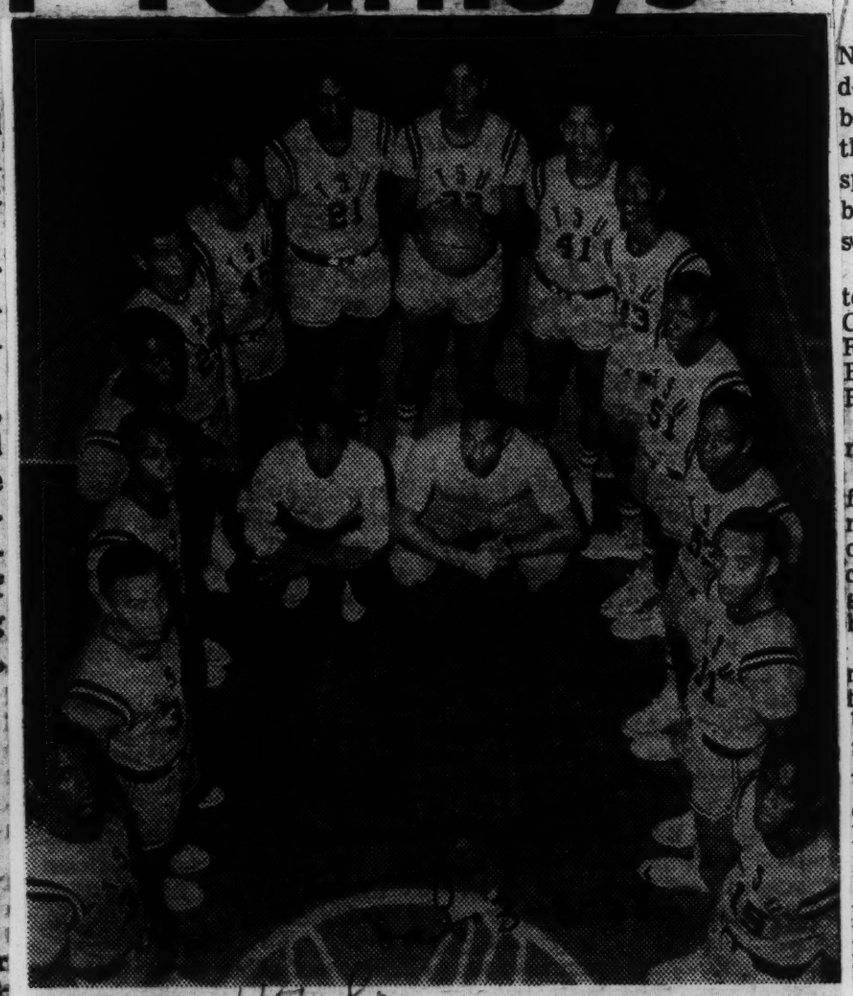
Texas Southern, after losing 94-91, bounced back to whip FAMU 111-103 and force NAIA District 6 playoffs into a third game.

In the CIAA's Durham tournament, record crowds packed over 5,000 people into the NCC gym and saw Morgan take a 67-62 consolation game over Virginia State. Other scores in this tournament were as follows:

Morgan 76, Elizabeth City 73; Virginia State 75, Fayetteville 60; A&T 94, Shaw 86 (in a double-overtime contest); North Carolina College 67, Virginia Union 51.

A&T's feat in winning both the tournament and visitation crown has been matched only by West Virginia in 1948, Winston-Salem in 1953, and Maryland State in 1956.

Rated as top teams in the tourneys are Grambling, Tennessee State and Texas Southern U. Tennessee, last year's NAIA champion, is out to repeat last year's triumph and has a good chance to do same as Coach Jim McLendon has a gimlet-eyed crew which has proved itself under fire this year by chalking up a 25-3 record. Likewise, Grambling has a 25-3 record and has played classy ball all year.



Southwest Champs—Texas Southern University's coach, Edward H. Adams, and his Southwest Conference championship team. The 1957 edition of the Tigers won their fourth consecutive Southwest Conference crown. Clockwise: Leroy Maura, De Morris Smith, Freddie Maura, Victor Dupree, Earl Dunbar, Percy McDaniels, Bennie Swain, Willie Taylor, Alex Gillum, Robert Bobbitt, Carl Brown, David Parker, Wilbert Mosby, Charles McIntosh. Center of circle: Bobby Woodard, student manager; Ed Adams.—Evans Photo.

Negroes Dominate All-America Basketball Team for First Time

NEW YORK, March 18 (AP) Negroes for the first time dominated the All-America basketball team selected for the Associated Press by 316 sports writers and sports broadcasters representing all sections of the Nation.

There are four on the first team announced today—Wilt Chamberlain of Kansas, Oscar Robertson of Cincinnati, Elgin Baylor of Seattle, and Guy Rodgers of Temple.

The fifth man is Don Hennon, Pitt's little 5-8½ star.

Negroes have made the first team in the past but never more than two. The rise of Negroes to prominence in college basketball follows similar standom in baseball, boxing, football and track.

Chamberlain, a junior named to the All-America for the second straight year, led the voting with 1592 points on the basis of five for a first team vote and two for a second team placing.

Robertson, a sophomore who put Cincinnati back on the basketball map, was second with 1330 and 256 firsts. Baylor was third with 1327 and 249 firsts. Rodgers had 975 and 172 firsts and Hennon 717 and 109 firsts. No one else came near getting 100 firsts.

Bob Boozer, Kansas State's Negro star, was named on a second team along with Archie Deees, Indiana Star; Bailey Howell of Mississippi State; Lloyd Sharrar of West Virginia and Pete Brennan of North Carolina.

Jerry West, West Virginia Sophomore; Tommy Kearns, North Carolina; Mike Farmer, San Francisco; Johnny Green, Michigan State and Tom Hawkins, Notre Dame, Comprise a third team.

These top 15 players each will receive a certificate from the Associated Press.

FIRST TEAM

Player	School	Height	Class
Wilt Chamberlain	Kansas	7-0	Junior
Oscar Robertson	Cincy	6-4¾	Soph
Elgin Baylor	Seattle	6-6	Junior
Guy Rodgers	Temple	6-0	Senior
Don Hennon	Pittsburgh	5-8½	Junior

SECOND TEAM

Bob Boozer	Kansas State	6-8	Junior
Archie Dees	Indiana	6-8	Senior
Bailey Howell	Miss. State	6-7	Junior
Lloyd Sharrar	W. Virginia	6-10	Senior
Pete Brennan	N. Carolina	6-6	Senior

THIRD TEAM

Jerry West	West Virginia	6-3	Soph
Tommy Kearns	N. Carolina	5-11	Senior
Mike Farmer	S. Francisco	6-7	Senior
Johnny Green	Mich. State	6-5	Junior
Tom Hawkins	Notre Dame	6-5	Junior

HONORABLE MENTION

Barney Cable, Bradley; Hub Reed, Oklahoma City; Jack Parr, Kansas State; Red Murrell, Drake; Jack Kubiszyn, Alabama; Leo Byrd, Marshall; Dave Gambee, Oregon State; Boo Ellis, Niagara; Dom Flora, Washington and Lee; Frank Howard, Ohio State; Doug Smart, Washington; Tony Windis, Wyoming; Bucky Allen, Duke; Earl Robinson, California; Gary Simmons, Idaho; Gene Brown, San Francisco; Vern Hatton, Kentucky; Fred Grim, Arkansas; Wayne Embry, Miami (Ohio); Joe Hobbs, Florida; Hal Greer, Marshall.

Benedict	85

Championship Finals

Knoxville	68
Clark	64

Consolation Finals

Florida A&M	91
Benedict	67

CUMMARY

Championship Finals

KNOXVILLE (68)	B.	F.	Tp
Austin	3	3	9
Moore	4	3	11
Fitzpatrick	14	8	36
Frazier	5	0	10
Dicks	1	0	2
TOTALS	27	14	68

CLARK (64)	B.	F.	Tp
Tate	2	1	5
Holden	3	1	5
Walker	5	1	11
Jones	11	6	28
Fields	1	0	2
Bell	5	1	11
TOTALS	27	10	64

Officials: Raymond Wainwright (Clark) referee; Vernon Colbert (Johnson C. Smith) umpire.

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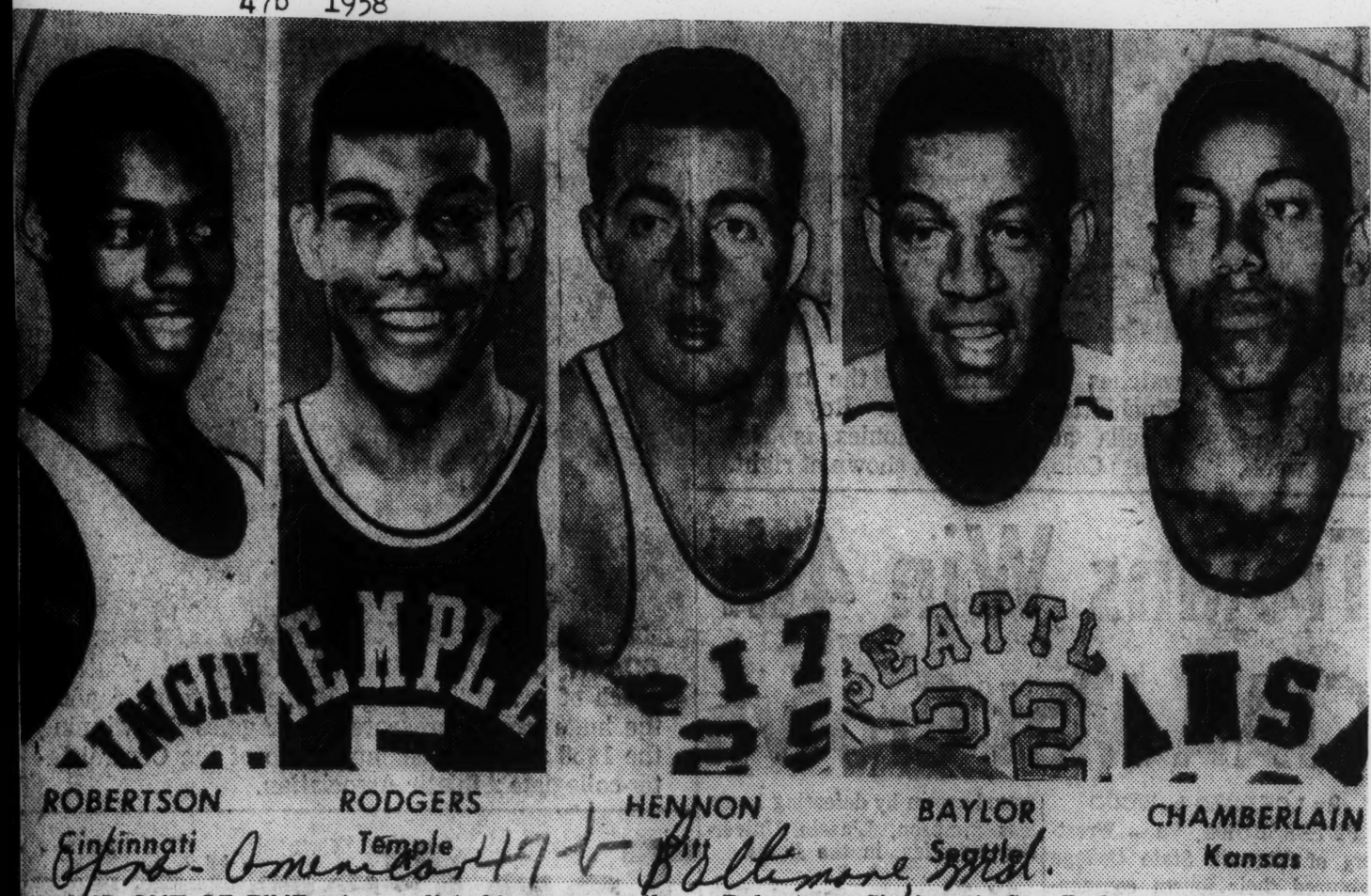

Afro-American 4/7 Baltimore, Md.

FOUR OUT OF FIVE—As predicted over a month ago in the AFRO, the 1958 college Basketball All-America team is dominated by colored players. Only Don Hennon of Pittsburgh (center) broke the tan monopoly as selected by the Associated Press on Wednesday. All-Americans are left to right: Oscar Robertson, Cincinnati; Guy Rodgers, Temple; Hennon, Elgin Baylor, Seattle; and Wilt Chamberlain, Kansas. It marked the first time in history that more than three tan players were named to the mythical five.

Player	School	Height	Class
Wilt Chamberlain,	Kans.	7-0	Junior
Oscar Robertson,	Cincy.	6-4¾	Soph
Elgin Baylor,	Seattle	6-6	Junior
Guy Rodgers,	Temple	6-0	Senior
Don Hennon,	Pittsburgh	5-8½	Junior
SECOND TEAM			
Bob Boozer,	Kans. State	6-8	Junior
Archie Dees,	Indiana	6-8	Senior
Bailey Howell,	Miss. State	6-7	Junior
Lloyd Sharrar,	W. Va.	6-10	Senior
Pete Brennan,	N. Carolina	6-6	Senior
THIRD TEAM			
Jerry West,	W. Va.	6-3	Soph
Tommy Kearns,	N.C.	5-11	Senior
Mike Farmer,	S. Francisco	6-7	Senior
Johnny Green,	Mich. State	6-5	Junior
Tom Hawkins,	Notre D'me	6-5	Junior

HONORABLE MENTION

Barney Cable, Bradley; Hub Reed, Oklahoma City; Jack Parr, Kansas State; Red Murrell, Drake; Jack Kubiszyn, Alabama; Leo Byrd, Marshall; Dave Gambee, Oregon State; **Boo Ellis**, Niagara; Dom Flora, Washington and Lee; Frank Howard, Ohio State; Doug Smart, Washington; Tony Windis, Wyoming; Bucky Allen, Duke; **Earl Robinson**, California; Gary Simmons, Idaho; Gene Brown, San Francisco; Vern Hatton, Kentucky; Fred Grim, Arkansas; **Wayne Embree**, Miami (Ohio); Joe Hobbs, Florida; **Hal Greer**, Marshall.

13 Tan Faces On '58 College All-America

Afro-American Baltimore, Md. 4/4

Sat. 3-15-58

NEW YORK—A total of 13 colored players are included in the cream-of-the-crop list of college stars named to berths on the 1958 All-America basketball squad.

The annual poll of the Associated Press placed four colored aces on the first team, leaving only one berth open to Don Hennon, of Pittsburgh University.

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AS PREDICTED in an AFRO Magazine article of February 4, the following tan players were picked to the mythical first five:

Wilt Chamberlain of the University of Kansas, Oscar Robertson of Cincinnati University, Elgin Baylor of Seattle University, and Guy Rodgers of Temple University.

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CHAMBERLAIN, A junior named to the All-America for the second straight year, led the voting with 1952 points and 297 first team notes on the basis of five for a first team vote and two for a second team placing.

Robertson, a sophomore who put Cincinnati back on the basketball map, was second with 1,330 and 256 firsts. Baylor was third with 1,327 and 249 firsts. Rodgers had 975 and 172 firsts and Hennon 717 and 109 firsts. No one else came near getting 100 firsts.

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BARELY MISSING the first team was Bob Boozer, key man on the top-ranked Kansas State University quint. Boozer was named to the second team.

Two others were chosen on the AP third team. These were Johnny Green, high-scoring rebounder of Michigan State University, and Tom Hawkins, record-holding pointmaker for Notre Dame.

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SIX TAN FACES are among the "honorable mentions" of the 1958 poll. They are:

Barney Cable of Bradley University, Boo Ellis of Niagara, Earl Robinson of California, Gene Brown of San Francisco, Wayne Embry, Miami (Ohio), and Hal Greer of Marshall College.

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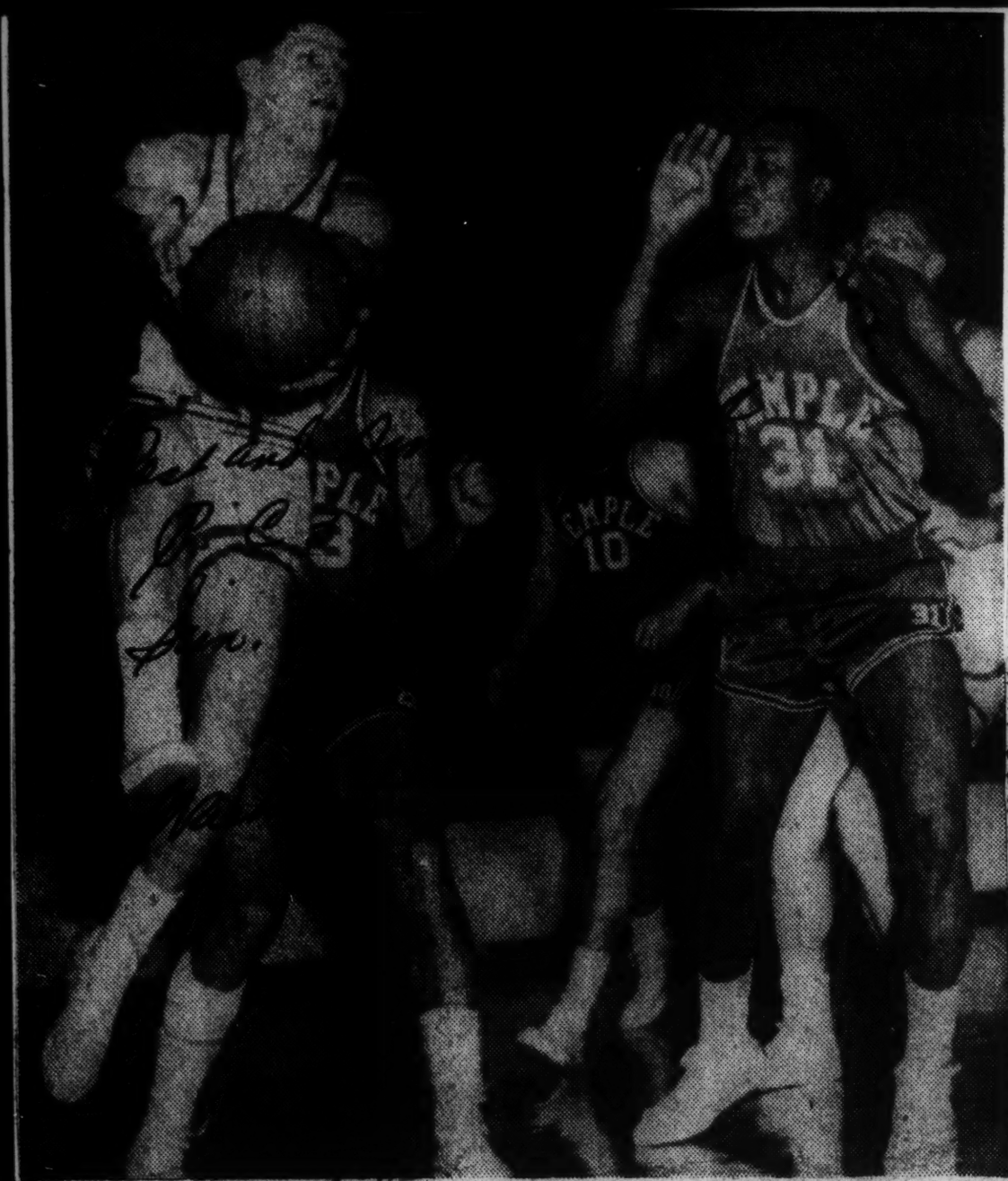
THE SELECTIONS:

FIRST TEAM



Associated Press

ONE FOR YOUNG — Tom Young of Maryland lifts a shot into the basket in Friday night's game with Temple University in the NCAA regional eliminations at Charlotte, N. C. Temple's Jay Norman is No. 31. Temple won, 71-67.

Strange Ailment Hits Pro Cager

COVINGTON, Ky. — (INS) — Physicians at St. Elizabeth's hospital in Covington Sunday reported no success in diagnosing the ailment which struck down Maurice Stokes, 24-year-old professional basketball star.

Tests were made throughout the night, doctors said, but Stokes had not regained consciousness since he was taken off a plane at the Greater Cincinnati Airport, just across the Ohio river from Covington.

The Negro star of the Cincinnati Royals was stricken while flying from Detroit Saturday night after the Royals lost a National Basketball Association playoff game to the host Pistons, 100 to 83. He had complained of feeling ill after eating earlier.

MOTHER ARRIVES

Stokes' mother, Mrs. Myrtle Stokes, was flown to the athlete's bedside from their home in Pittsburgh.

In 1956 Stokes was named "NBA Rookie Of The Year" and led the league in rebounds. He played with the Rochester Royals at that time.

This year, the team transferred to Cincinnati and became the Cincinnati Royals.

Big and strong, Stokes is a real rugged rebounder. While in St. Francis college, Loretta, Pa., he was a center, but in professional basketball, he plays forward.

Although the cause of his current illness is not known, except that he said he felt ill after eating, during Saturday's game, the big cage star and George Yardley of the Detroit Pistons, came to blows over a skirmish under the basket.

They were parted, however, before it developed into a serious fight.

MAURICE STOKES

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Pro Basketball Round-up

Courier p. 27

High-soaring Bill Russell of the Boston Celtics and Ray Felix, the big man of the New York Knicks, rate number one and four, respectively, among the field goal percentage leaders in the National Basketball Association. Russell, only unanimous Eastern choice in the upcoming All-Star pro game, has a shooting average of .461. Felix is hitting the hoop at a .449 clip.

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THE KNEE INJURY which caused Cincinnati's Maurice Stokes to miss more than eight games has affected his standing among NBA rebound leaders. Trailing only Russell in this department before the injury, Stokes has now moved out of the first five. Only other Negro currently in the charmed "big five" group is Walter Dukes of Detroit. Stokes, it might be added, holds the NBA rebounding record set last season.

FIVE OF THE 12 NEGROES now performing in the NBA have attended Negro colleges. They include, Nat (Sweetwater) Clifton of Detroit, Xavier; Earl Lloyd of Syracuse, West Virginia State; Woody Sauldsberry of Philadelphia, Texas Southern; Sam Jones of the Boston Celtics, North Carolina College, and Bob Hopkins of Syracuse, Grambling.

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BILL RUSSELL and Willie Naulls of the Knicks are the only two Negroes listed among the top 20 in scoring in the NBA. Russell ranks eighth with a 19.2 average, while Naulls stands 11th with a 17.8 average.

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DICK RICKETTS of Cincinnati, Ohio, continues being one of the most "aggressive" players in the loop. At last look the former Duquesne University All-American led everyone in the league in fouls with 148.

Pro Basketball Round-up

Courier Pittsburgh Pa.

Willie Naulls of the New York Knickerbockers may be on the threshold of passing Bill Russell as the number eight scorer in the National Basketball Association. Naulls, currently ranked ninth among NBA scorers, has a 18.1 scoring average. Russell is averaging 19.2 points per game. Big Bill, however, leads the loop in field goal percentages with a .464 mark from the floor.

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MAURICE STOKES, out with injuries part of the season, seems destined to lose his rebounding crown to Russell. Big Mo still ranks second in field goal average with 17.9 snares a game. Russell dominates the league in this department with a 24.2 rebounding average.

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THE REASON STOKES rates so high among basketball experts is his ability to do so many things so well. At 6'7" the Cincinnati ace, trails only Bob Cousy of the Celtics in assists with a a game average of 6.2. As stated before, he is always high among the rebounders and if he decided to shoot more it is felt he could be one of the game's great scorers. As it is he is averaging 16.4 points per game.

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EVERY TEAM in the NBA is averaging better than 100 points per game for the first time in history. Five teams are currently scoring above the 106 points a game mark set by Boston last year and the league average is 106.5 per team, per game . . . The leading offensive team in the NBA is New York with a 113.3 game average. The Knicks, incidentally, recently set a league record by scoring 100 or more points in 17 straight games.

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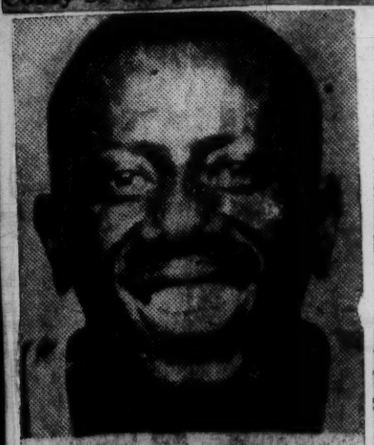
AS USUAL, CINCINNATI'S Dick Ricketts leads the circuit in personal fouls with 158 . . . Even though there has been talk of Nat Clifton being in hot water with the Detroit Pistons, the veteran cager is still the number four scorer on the team with a 9.4 average. Walt Dukes is averaging 9.1 points per game.



HERE TODAY . . . Goose Tatum

Courier p. 26

Tatum's Star here today

Goose Tatum, the Clown Prince of Basketball, brings his Harlem Stars to the Municipal Auditorium Sunday afternoon and night for the annual appearance of the masters of cage magic.

The Stars will go against the National College All-Stars, a team composed of former college players from throughout the country, in a game for white spectators at 3 p.m. and a game for colored fans at 8 p.m.

In addition to the games, fans will see the famous Goose Tatum Magic Circle, a demonstration of basketball hide-and-seek, along with halftime entertainment by the Flying Nesbits, an acrobatic family who hail from Birmingham and who perform all over the nation.

Sharing the spotlight with Tatum this season will be Leon Hilliard, king of the dribble and a master of razzle-dazzle. Hilliard is from Chicago and is playing his seventh season n pro ball.

Other stars with Tatum include Boyd Buie, the only one-armed player in professional basketball; Lester Burks, six foot, six inch giant from Gramblin University; Jim Tucker, who is two inches taller than Burks and a player who startled fans at Memphis recently by sinking a shot the entire length of the court; Marland (Showboa) Buckner, from Kansas; Elvis Lewis of Missouri; Rollie Harris of Ohio, and Frank Washington of Pennsylvania.

MOST INTEREST, of course will be on Tatum, the ageless Clown Prince of Basketball. Tatum will be trying to continue his fast pace of averaging more than 50 points a game.

As a preliminary to the night game, the Memorial Park Bombers will play Daniel Payne College. This game starts at 7 p.m.

No, Central Aim: 'Wins as You Learn'

Courier Chicago Ill.

BY ROY DAMER

North Central's basketball problem this season can be summed up in one word—inexperience. Every member on the Cardinals squad is either a sophomore or freshman.

Despite the lack of experience, the Cardinals have compiled a respectable 5-6 record, and hold a 1-1 mark in the College Conference of Illinois. North Central plays a nonconference game at home tonight against Concordia of River Forest.

Courier 1-10-58

Bud Burger, in his second year as North Central coach, says the squad is in the rebuilding state. Inexperience, he says, figured in four of the losses, none by more than three points, as the Cardinals made mistakes in the late moments of the games.

The Cardinals already have bettered their record of last season when they won three games and lost 17 and finished in the C. C. I. cellar with a 2-12 mark. They are a team made up of comparatively short men, as Burger has sacrificed some height to get speed for a fast breaking attack.

The forwards are Gene Armentrout, one of five lettermen on the squad and one of the team's top rebounders, and Gene Smithson, second highest scorer. Ken Martin, who is 6 feet 4 inches tall, holds the starting center assignment.

Two lettermen have returned at guard, Paul Holme and Dick Howard. Howard is the team's leading scorer with approximately a 20 point average. He tallied 43 points, second highest total in North Central's history, in the Cardinals' 88 to 72 victory over Eureka.

The top reserves on the team are Robert Schaffer, a letterman, at forward, Jim Foster, who also won a letter last year, at center, and Richard Brown, Harry Milner, and Harry Zager at guard.

Pro Basketball Round-up

MAURICE STOKES, looked upon as the best all-around player in the National Professional Basketball League, wears glasses when he's not scoring points for the Cincinnati Royals' cage team . . . Charlie Cooper, first Negro to sign a contract in the NBA is currently working as a physical education instructor in Pittsburgh, Pa.

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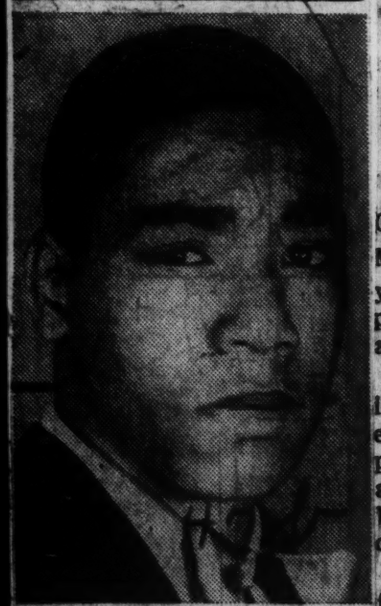
. . . . . **FORMER DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY** All-American Jim Tucker, who had a stint with Syracuse is now performing with the Goose Tatum All-Stars . . . New York Knickerbockers' high scoring sophomore, Willie Naulls, has been suffering, in recent games, from a painful knee injury.

WHEN BILL RUSSELL grabbed 49 rebounds in a game against Philadelphia, Nov. 16, he broke three league records. They included, most rebounds in one game, most rebounds in one quarter, 17, and most rebounds in one half, 26 . . . Russell continues to lead the NBA in field goal percentage with a .464 shooting average. Ray Felix of the Knicks is the leader in this department with a .451 shooting percentage . . . Willie Naulls is currently the top tan foul shooter in the loop and the fourth best overall. His shooting percentage, from the free throw line is .851.

DOLPH SCHAYES, all-time scoring king of professional basketball, is an avid rooter for Syracuse teammate Bob Hopkins. Schayes believes the former Grambling ace has the makings to become one of the league's top shooters.

TALL CARDINAL



KEN MARTIN
. . . North Central's 6-4 center

Green Selected Most Valuable

EAST LANSING, Mich. — John Green, brilliant pacesetter for Michigan State in basketball all year, is the choice of his fellow players as the team's "most valuable".

The sensational jumpig junior from Dayton, Ohio, spearheaded State's bid for Big Ten championship honors which missed by an eyelash as the Spartans fell before Indiana, 75-72, in the deciding contest.

Green was a tremendous performer both on offense and on defense in MSU's outstanding 16-6 season. He topped the squad in scoring with 397 points as he hit on 51 per cent of his shots from the floor, and was far-and-away the best rebounder with 392 recoveries. He ranked well up among the top ten in Big Ten scoring and set a new conference mark in field goal shooting per centage. In 14 league games, his shooting per centage was .537, betting the old mark of .512 set by Indiana's Dick Neal in 1957.

In the showdown game with Indiana, the 6-5 Green was pitted against the Hoosiers' great Archie Dees, top scorer in the Western Conference. Even though the Spartans finished on the short end of the score, Green clearly had the better of it with his taller opponent as he outscored him (23-14) and outrebounded him (24-13.)

Green's outstanding play has not of honor teams. Already he has been named to the Big Ten first team picked for United Press by the conference coaches. He was named to the Associated Press third team All-America and to the INS second team All-America.

Spartan foes will get another look at Green next year and probably won't relish it. For his coaches say that's when he will realize his full college potential.

Willie Stevens has been selected

Bill Russell
His Rebounding Hurts

Russell Has Warrior Five Worried

Philadelphia, March 25 (UP)— Philadelphia Warriors, sounding like a broken record, repeated today that they have to stop Bill Russell to halt the rampaging Boston Celtics in the National Basketball Association's Eastern Division playoffs.

Boston, rolling on a 3-0 lead, can end the best-of-seven series Wednesday night by whipping the crippled Warriors again. The Celtics reported that two of their injured stars, Arnie Risen and Tommy Heinsohn, would be ready to play in their bid to end the Eastern playoffs.

But Coach George Senesky and his Philadelphia players repeated at today's workout that their only hope is to stop the 6-10 Russell's domination of the backboards. Russell, who has been hampered by bonsilitis, captured 93 rebounds—a fantastic average of 31 per game—in Boston's first three playoff contests with Philadelphia. Bill grabbed 40 Sunday at Boston for what N.B.A. statisticians figure is an all-time league playoff record.

Johnston Off Game

Senesky said the poor showing of Neil Johnston is one of the reasons Russell is running amok. Johnston, normally the key man for Philadelphia, has played only 54 minutes in the playoffs.

Tom Gola, Philadelphia guard, is hampered by injuries. His left side is taped because of a cist on his chest. The tape has hampered his shooting and he added to his troubles when he injured his right hand in the team's last playoff game with the Syracuse Nationals.

The series survivor will play the winner of the Western Division series between the Detroit Pistons and St. Louis Hawks for the playoff title.

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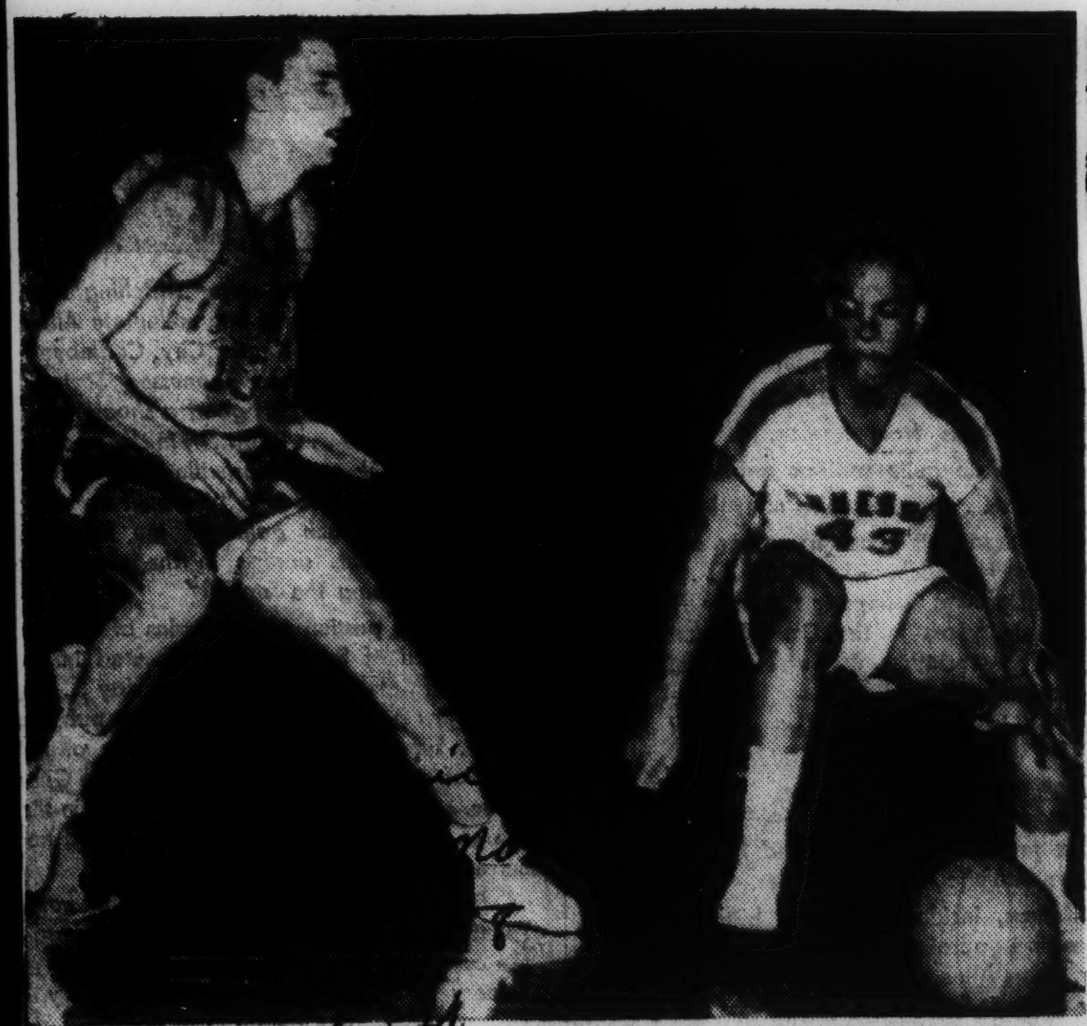


GETTING SWEET REVENGE—Ron Hamilton, stellar Tennessee State guard (43), sets up East Texas defender John Fite (13) for a breakaway dribble and layup during action in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics cage championships last week at Kansas City. The Tennessee team avenged a 1953 setback by East Texas, won by a score of 72-67. then went on to capture the NAIA title for the second straight year. In the finals, Johnny McLendon's Nashville lads whipped Western Illinois, 85-73.

Rodgers, Wilt Selected On AP All-America Five

NEW YORK, March 5 (AP).—His team failed to make the NCAA tourney this year, but 7-foot Wilt Chamberlain, Kansas, played better than ever and tops the 1958 collegiate basketball All-America announced by the Associated Press today.

Oscar Robertson, Cincinnati's sensational sophomore; Elgin Baylor, Seattle; Guy Rodgers, Temple, and Don Hennon, Pittsburgh, complete the All-America selected by a vote of 316 sportswriters and broadcasters from every section of the country.

Chamberlain, Robertson, Baylor and Rodgers led the voting by a wide margin.

Hennon, the little 5-8½ flash hailed as the best Pitt player in 30 years, did not threaten the top four in the voting, but was far ahead of Bob Boozer, Kansas State's star.

1502 FOR WILT

On the basis of five points for a first-team vote and two for a second-team placing, Chamberlain polled 1502 points with 297 firsts. Robertson got 1330 and 256 firsts; Baylor 1327 and 249 firsts; Rodgers 975 and 172 firsts and Hennon 717 and 109 firsts. They were the only players to get more than 100 firsts.

Boozer, with 446 points and 62 firsts, has as his second-team mates Archie Dees of Indiana (351 points), Bailey Howell of Mississippi State (330), Lloyd Sharrar of West Virginia (256) and Pete Brennan of North Carolina (218).

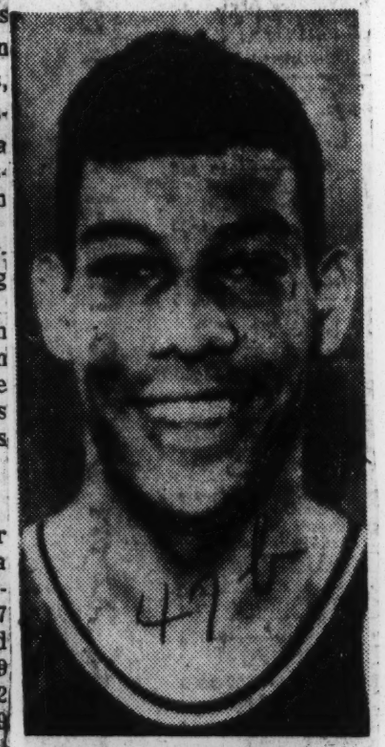
Selected for the second straight year on the All-America, the 240-pound Chamberlain showed great improvement over his sophomore year.

Robertson, a high school whiz in Indianapolis, lived up to all advance notices in leading Cincinnati to the championship of the Missouri Valley Conference.

Rodgers, a native Philadelphian like Chamberlain, rose to the heights in leading Temple to a successful season.

THIRD TEAM

Jerry West, West Virginia.
Tommy Kearns, N. Carolina.
Mike Farmer, San Francisco.
Johnny Green, Mich. State.
Tom Hawkins, Notre Dame.



GUY RODGERS

AP 'All' Five

The 1958 AP collegiate basketball All-America:

FIRST TEAM

Player, School
Wilt Chamberlain, Kansas.
Oscar Robertson, Cincinnati.
Elgin Baylor, Seattle.
Guy Rodgers, Temple.
Don Hennon, Pittsburgh.

SECOND TEAM

Bob Boozer, Kansas State.
Archie Dees, Indiana.
Bailey Howell, Miss. State.
Lloyd Sharrar, W. Virginia.
Pete Brennan, No. Carolina.

Boston Celtics Lose Bill Russell For Remaining Playoff Games

BOSTON, April 7 (AP)—The Boston Celtics, accustomed to a season-long series of injuries, today braced for their fifth game against St. Louis after learning center Bill Russell is out of further playoff action.

Bill Russell

Russell, towering 6-10 rebounder, got the news after team physician Dr. Edward Browne examined him at Carney Hospital.

Boston's defending world champions whipped the Hawks 109-98 in St. Louis Saturday night to even the best-of-seven National Basketball Association championship series 2-2 without Russell who sprained his right ankle in the third contest.

"Bill has torn tendons on both the inside and outside of the ankle and, in addition, there is a small chip fracture on the inside of the leg," Dr. Browne said. "We are going to continue treating the injury, but I would say it will be three weeks before Russell can do anything on that leg."

"We're far from dead," said Coach Red Auerbach looking ahead to Wednesday night's encounter. "That's a terrific blow to us but we did it out there and we've got a home court edge now."

"We are going to play the coming games and hope for a miracle in Russell's case, Auerbach added. "But whatever his status we're going out there and do a job. We will do the best we possibly can and hope the breaks go for us.

"Never in the history of the NBA has a team had so many injuries yet we won the Eastern division title easily," Auerbach said. "That's why we can't be counted out now."

Pro Basketball Series Even As Teams Renew Play In Saint Louis

BOSTON. — (INS) — St. Louis and Boston appeared headed for a repeat of their thrill-packed NBA championship series of a year ago which went to double over-time in the seventh game before Boston won.

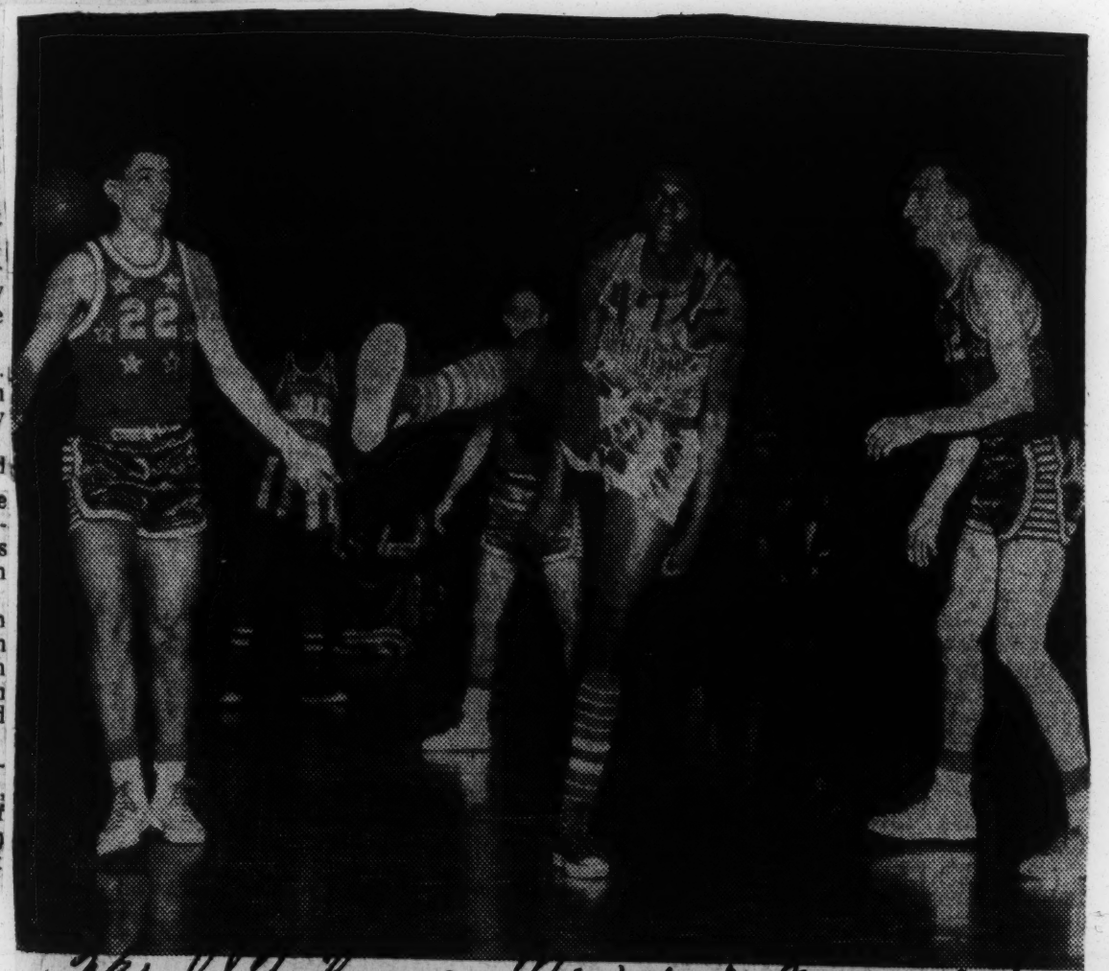
The Celtics evened the current series at a game apiece with a rousing 136-112 victory before 10,249 fans at Boston Garden Sunday after losing the opener on the same floor Saturday 104-102.

The teams now head for St. Louis where the third and fourth games will be played Wednesday and Saturday.

Hawk star Cliff Hagan continued his torrid play-off scoring pace with 37 points, but his high-scoring team mate, Bob Pettit, was held to a meager three points in the last half for a total of 19.

Meanwhile, the Celts had seven men scoring double figures with Bob Cousy showing the way with 25, Blil Russell and Bill Sharman had 22 each and Russell also had 27 rebounds.

Boston received rather unexpected help from rookie Sam Jones, who scored 16 points, most of them in the last half when he ran nine straight to cool off a Hawk rally.



Herald Tribune photo by Don Rice

COURT JESTER—Vernon Hatton (left), of College All-Americans, looks on helplessly as Globetrotters' Meadowlark Lemon heaves ball under leg to teammate during game at Garden yesterday. George Kline, of College five, is at right.

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Maurice Kilgore Brings Big Time Bowling Into Focus

CHICAGO—Maurice Kilgore of Detroit has pushed the door to big-time bowling open farther than any other Negro in the history of the game, following a superb exhibition of pin-topping before a national television audience here last week.

In becoming the first of his race to ever perform before the magic eye of TV, Kilgore, 37, came away with a million's share of the prize money.

While defeating Stan Gifford, an old hand in televised broadcasts, Kilgore put together games of 223, 242 and 212 for a 678 three-game set. His opponent, who captured two of the three games, had scores of 241, 183 and 226 for a 650 set. As a result, Kilgore will defend his newly won crown on Sunday, Jan. 26.

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IN BATTLING his way into the bowling spotlight, Kilgore, who first began bowling in 1940, was aided a great deal by former heavyweight champion Joe Louis and Harold (Killer) Johnson, owner of Chicago's Midway Lounge. Kilgore bowls weekly, flying from Detroit to do so, with Johnson's Archway team.

As it turned out, Louis was the man who was instrumental in getting Kilgore the chance to go before the TV cameras. It was also Louis and Johnson who agreed to take care of Kilgore's expenses while he was preparing for a week for his big test.

In reality, however, big-time bowling is nothing new to Kilgore. He is a past winner of the National Bowling Association title and in past years he has bowled against some of the biggest names in the game, including Andy Varipappa and Buddy Bomar.

IT WAS during a series of exhibitions against Varipappa and Bomar in 1952 that Kilgore admits learning a lot about the fine points of the game.

"I learned a lot in those exhibition games," Kilgore admits today. "They gave me some good advice during those tours and it helped my game tremendously."

A full-time instructor at the Dexter Recreation Lanes in Detroit, Kilgore is confident that more and more Negroes would be ready for big-time matches if given the opportunity. "I hope my partner, Bill Rhodman, gets his chance next," Kilgore said. "He's tops. If he had gotten the chance first he probably would have done as well as I."

Last month, at the Dexter Recreation Center in Detroit, Kilgore put together the highest three-game set of his career. He had games of 232, 286 and 268 for a 786. His 678 TV tally was one of the highest scores ever rolled by a newcomer, and certainly it came under the toughest of all pressures.

Bowling Bigwigs—When the National Bowling Association met in Pittsburgh for its 19th annual convention, three of the four persons shown above were elected to office. Front row, left to right, are Charlie Mae Jones, Toledo, elected secretary-treasurer for the fifth time, and Eric deFrenes, new vice president. Back row: Charles Wilson, Chicago, elected president, and DeHart Hubbard, Cleveland, outgoing president.—Harris Photo

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NBA Bowling Tourney Scheduled for Chicago

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CHICAGO, Ill.—The greatest array of Negro bowling talent ever assembled is expected to converge here May 29-30-31 and June 1, when the National Bowling Association holds its 17th annual championship tournament at the Lane Hyde Park Bowl.

Bowlers from 12 states and 32 cities will be on hand for the biggest bowling—tournament of them all among Negro keglers. NBA President DeHart Hubbard says this year's tournament will undoubtedly surpass the record-breaking entry list that rolled in Cleveland, Ohio, last year.

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BACK TO DEFEND the titles they grabbed last year will be everyone of the defending champions.

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The Savoy Palace team of Cleveland, Ohio, made up of Arthur Plant, Roy Strickland Jr., Wilbert Houser, William Elston and Sterling Scott is expected to return as a group to defend their five-man championship.

Also returning are James Merritt, Jersey City, N. J., and Eddie Alexander, East Orange, N. J. double winners; Charles Bedell of Cleveland, singles champion, and Sterling Scott of Cleveland, the all-events king.

The Suncrest team of Cleveland will return to defend their team championship among the women. The squad is composed of Lurtissia Brown, Daisy Johnson, Irene Hamilton, Cora Robinson and Jean Calhoun.

OTHER CHAMPIONS among the women are Alma Lindsey and Pauline Boswell of Detroit, doubles champions; Lorraine Ramsey, Newark, N. J., singles queen, and Sadie Dixon, Chester, Pa., all-events winner.

For the second year in a row the Budweiser Singles Classic will precede the NBA bowling derby. Last year Sterling Scott won the men's crown, while Ula Coleman, Newark, N. J., walked off with the women's championship.

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Dorsey's Courage Helped Break Down Boxing Ban in N. O.

By ERNEST (BUTCH) CURRY

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NEW ORLEANS—Many in Louisiana rejoiced last week when a Federal District Court knocked out the state's segregation law prohibiting mixed athletic contests. The court's ruling came as a result of a suit filed by boxer Joe Dorsey back in 1955.

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Dorsey, a good middleweight fighter at that time, saw his chances of moving up the ladder blocked by a boxing commission ruling which banned mixed contests. Fighting in the Crescent City he saw very slim chances of ever advancing. He often complained of this and approached the writer one summer day in 1955, to see what could be done to alleviate this condition.

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DORSEY DECIDED to attack the commission's ruling. Without funds he had little hope of instituting a suit. But following a meeting with his manager Brother Kron, the writer, and two attorneys, Louis E. Berry and I. M. Augustine Jr., it was decided to carry his plea to the public.

A few public donations came in. It's ironical to report here for the first time, that one of the public collection boxes bearing Joe's plea was stolen from a barber shop. Yet another barber, Joe Daly, well-known uptown, and a regular fight fan, donated several hundred dollars to Dorsey to see his case through.

Berry and Augustine went to court with Joe's suit, which named the state boxing commission as defendant. But a year later, the state passed a law prohibiting mixed contests to back up the commission ruling. Dorsey's suit was then amended to name the state as defendant in the case also.

Meantime, Dorsey was pushed into the back as promoters staged boxing show after one another. When approached each time by the writer on the question of whether a boycott was on against Dorsey because of his suit, they denied it, but claimed that Dorsey was no longer a main attraction.

SOME OTHER OBSERVERS in boxing circles praised Dorsey's move, but when they got on the "other side of the fence" they frowned upon it. Simple as this may seem, some didn't put faith in the suit, reasoning it would be thrown out. Most fight fans were totally unaware of Dorsey's Federal suit, and last week's decision came as a surprise to them.

Overnight, Joe Dorsey became a "hot number" because of his victory in breaking down the law barrier in sports. Boxing promoters rejoiced with public statements in print; some school officials hailed the court victory, while Sugar Bowl officials welcomed it with glee and a sigh of much relief.

Of all these and many more, they were unaware of the hardships Dorsey went through as he nearly sacrificed his chosen profession to correct a wrongful situation. He obtained odd jobs here and there to support his family of five, including four young sons.

Local boxing promoters can capitalize on this achievement—and it is just that—by staging their first mixed fight with Joe Dorsey as the feature attraction. Many of the unknown will come just out of gratitude.

At any rate, Joe Dorsey will be given a public testimonial soon at which time he will be honored. Plans are under way now to stage a city-wide event, culminating in Joe Dorsey Night, when we can say to him "Thanks, Joe!". He broke the racial sports barrier in Louisiana.

Victory Smiles—Happy smiles flashed over the faces of the above group following the news that a New Orleans Federal district court had knocked out Louisiana's segregation law banning mixed athletics. The suit was filed by light-heavyweight fighter Joe Dorsey, standing center. Three of Joe's sons, Dwight, Gregory and Mervin are in front. In the rear are Mrs. Evelyn Dorsey, wife of the fighter; little Stephen, being held by his father, and Atty. I. M. Augustine Jr., one of the two attorneys who originated the suit.—Porter Photo.

Late Friday Sports

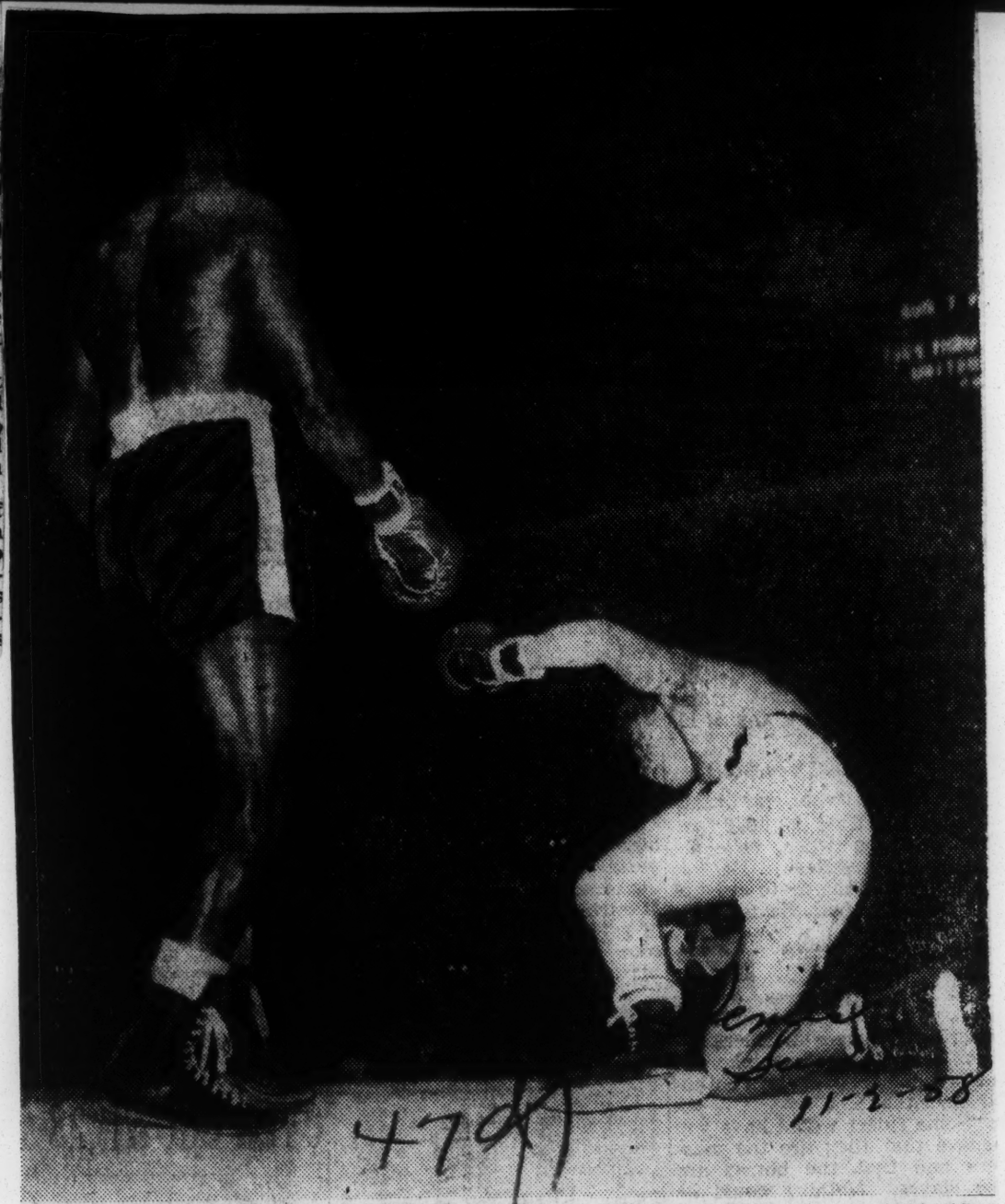
BOXING

Hogan (Kid) Bassey, world featherweight champion, gained a unanimous ten-round decision over Carmel Costa, Brooklyn, in a non-title bout at Madison Square Garden. Bassey weighed 127 pounds, Costa 128½.

Bassey, a Nigerian, floored Costa twice in the third round. Bassey scored with a right to the chin, a hard right to the body and another right to the face. He threw another right and Costa went down.

The Brooklyn boxer rose at the count of 8 and was dropped to the canvas again under a sharp left and a right. The bell sounded as he arose after an 8-count.

Costa tried to stay out of Bassey's reach in the fourth round. The Nigerian slipped to the floor while pressing the attack but quickly regained his stance. In the next round Bassey shook Costa twice with lefts to the chin.



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FLOORED BY A CHAMPION: Carmelo Costa of Brooklyn falling in the first of two third-round knockdowns by Kid Bassey of Nigeria on Friday night at Madison Square Garden. Bassey, whose featherweight title was not at stake, won by unanimous decision.

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Don Jordan Is Set For Long Fistic Reign

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Don Jordan is sitting on top of the world, as the welterweight champion of all the world this week, and apparently the Los Angeles-born fighter isn't worried about being toppled from his newly acquired throne any time in the near future.

After knocking champion Virgil Aikins off his throne here Friday night in one of the biggest upsets of the year, Jordan said he will be glad to honor a return bout pact with the St. Louis battler in February.

"I'll beat him worse the next time," Jordan said confidently after the fight. "For one thing, I'll weigh less and that will make me faster."

JORDAN, TIRED but happy after his 15-round victory, said carrying 145 pounds into the scrap didn't leave him in his best fighting condition. "My handlers figured that coming into the ring three pounds over my regular weight would make me stronger in the late rounds. I think I tired as a result of the extra beef. I won't be slowed down the next time."

A 4-to-1 underdog in the prefight betting, the tall, former produce worker fought like a mad tiger from the outset. His crowding style seemed to upset Aikins from the outset and the champ never got a chance to show his vaunted punching power.

"I really had an off-night," a dejected Aikins said after the bout. "I thought I could get rid of him, but I never met anyone so smart—and I could never catch up with him."

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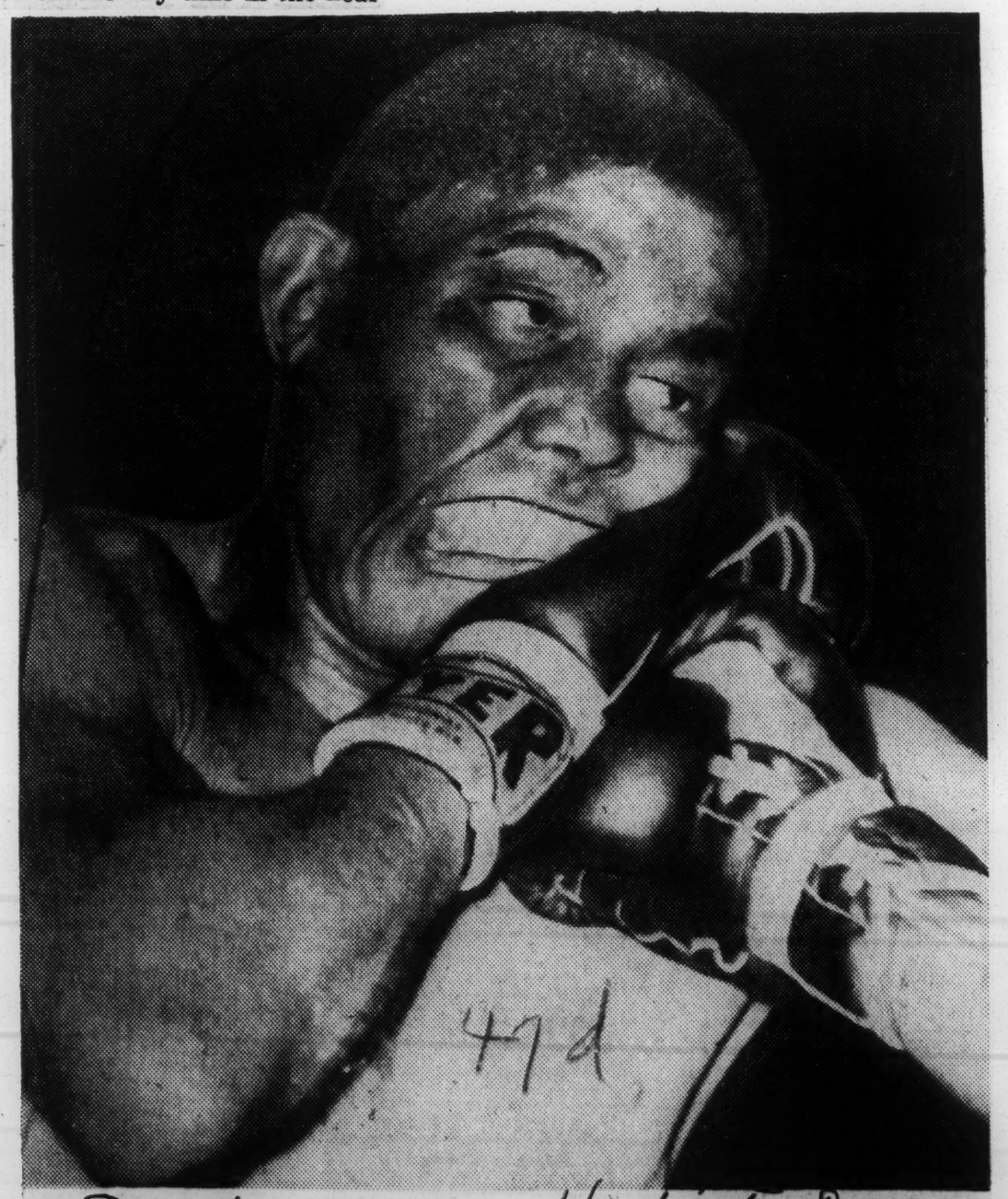
AIKINS' SUMMATION of the fight seemed to agree with the officials, who voted for Jordan unanimously. Referee Lee Grossman, who took a point away from Aikins for a low punch in the eighth round and another point later in the 14th for butting, voted for Jordan 145-138. Judge Mushy Callahan had Jordan winning 145-132, and Judge Tommy Hart had the new champion ahead 146-136.

Jordan, as things turned out, was the complete boxing master over his heavier foe. At the same time the fast-swinging new champion repeatedly shook up Aikins. In the tenth round Aikins was almost helpless under a torrid barrage laid down by Jordan.

The rematch is scheduled to be held in 60 days. Next time, however, the gate will be split 30-30. This time Aikins took away 40 per cent of the gross gate of $28,548, and the same percentage of the undisclosed television purse. Jordan got 20 per cent for his end. Even more important was the fact that he also pulled away the championship.



BUT NOT THAT HARD—The face of Don Jordan is contorted by the force of a blow struck by Virgil Akins in their 15-round welterweight championship fight in Los Angeles Friday night. Jordan won a unanimous decision and took the title from Akins.

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Jordan Promises to Beat Akins 'Worse' Next Time

By United Press International.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 6—Don Jordan, the new world welterweight boxing champion, promised a worse beating today for the former titleholder, Virgil Akins, when they meet in a rematch at St. Louis in February.

The 24-year-old Jordan gained a unanimous upset decision over Akins last night at Olympic Auditorium. The return bout is expected to take place Feb. 11 or Feb. 13.

The crowd of 7,344 paid a gross of $28,548.02, with a net of $24,488.50. Jordan's 20 per cent share of the $67,238.05 net from the gate and television was $13,230.67. Akins, who drew the displeasure of the crowd with butting and low hitting, got $26,641.34.

There was a rematch provision in the fight contract and Jordan said, "I'll beat him worse next time because I'll weigh lighter."

The new champion, who is known as the "Geronimo Kid" around his home town because of his prowess with the bow and arrow, entered the ring at 145 pounds, the heaviest of his career. He appeared to tire in the closing rounds when Akins, a half-pound heavier, got in some good right-hand shots to the body.

Penalties for Akins

Jordan used a lightning fast left, hooking and jabbing to spear his way to the title. He kept in close, preventing Akins from getting in too many long and heavy blows.

The 30-year-old Akins was penalized a point in the eighth round for a low blow and another point in the fourteenth for butting. He said he expected to do a lot better in St. Louis, his home town.

This was Akins' first defense of the 147-pound crown, which he won on a fourth-round knockout of Vince Martinez at St. Louis June 6. The title had been vacated by Carmen Basilio when he won the middleweight crown.

The victory was the forty-fourth in fifty-five fights for Jordan. Voting on a 10-point-must basis, Referee Lee Grossman scored the fight 145—138, Judge Tommy Hart had it 146—136 and Judge Mushy Callahan 145—132, all for Jordan. The United Press International card gave it to Jordan, 143—139.

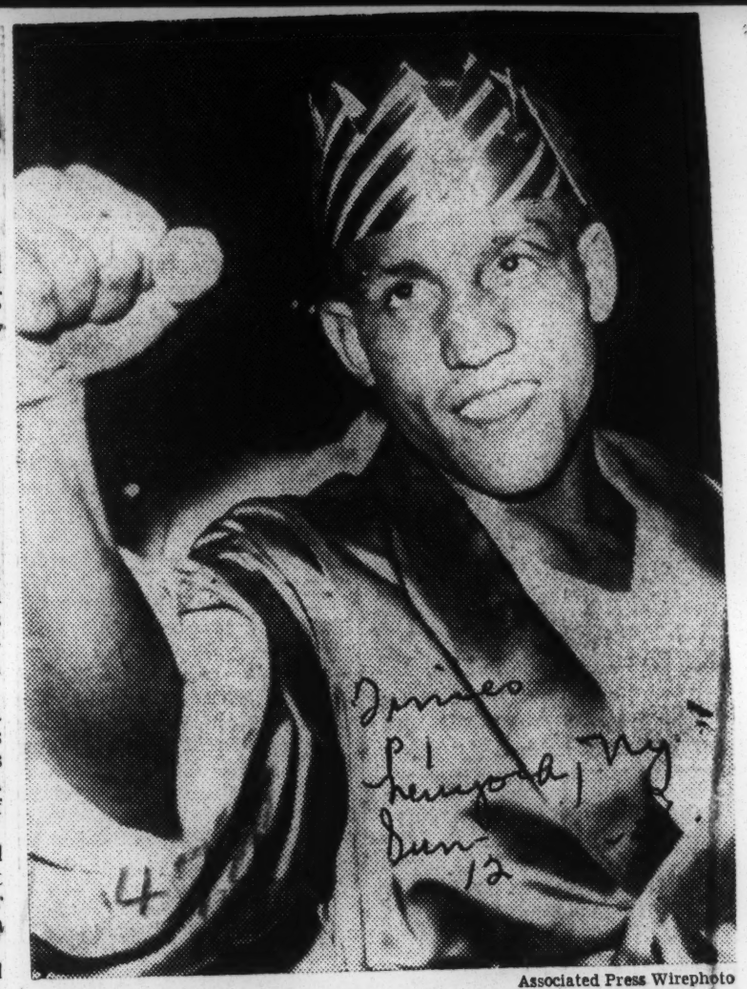
Jordan had the crowd completely on his side. He played the "hero" to Akins' role as villain.

Jordan hasn't always had things easy. He was born in a poor section of East Los Angeles, the fourteenth of nineteen children. He is of Indian and Negro descent.

Don quit high school after a few months to help support his family. He worked with his father in a produce market. Four of his brothers had brief ring careers.

The new champion entered the ring as an amateur at 18, turning professional after capturing fourteen of fifteen bouts.

Don, the father of four small daughters, likes archery best as a hobby. He also plays a guitar.



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HAPPY GLADIATOR: Don Jordan as he celebrated in dressing room Friday night after taking the welterweight title from Virgil Akins in 15-round bout at Los Angeles.

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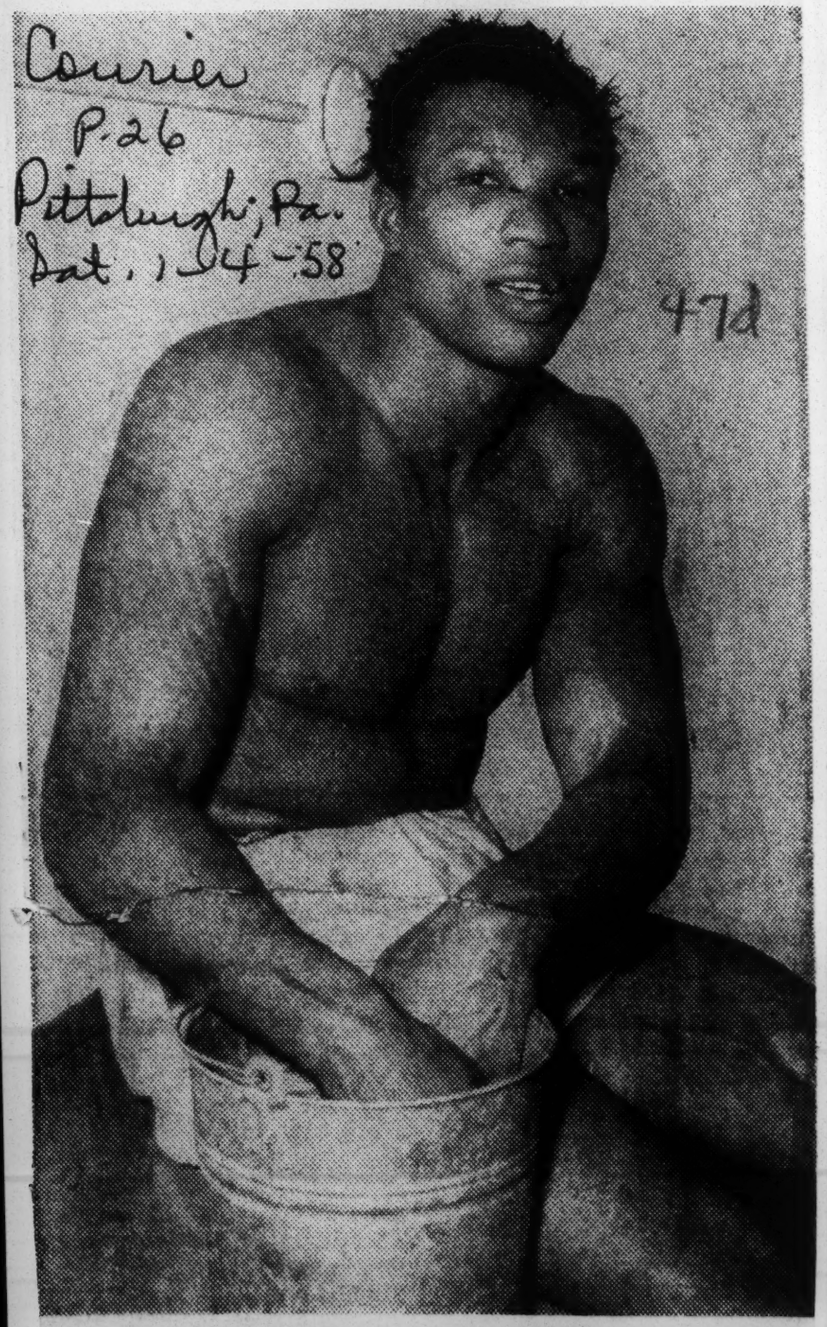
Fans Screaming for Patterson, Machen Chins

Texans Claim the Next King Of Boxing Is Cleve Williams

By SWING WILLIAMS



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CLEVELAND WILLIAMS
. . . for charging Rhinos, punches in either hand

HOUSTON, Tex.—Contrary to popular belief, the next heavyweight boxing champion will come from Texas.

Ask any fight fan in Houston and they will say without hesitation that Cleveland Williams, the giant from Georgia is destined to wear the crown which now reposes on the head of one Floyd Patterson.

Some folks feel that the uncrowned king is Eddie Machen. Others think that Alex Miteff of the Argentine is going to win his way to the top. Then there are those who lean toward Mike DeJohn, the New York thumper.

And, right here in Texas, there are those who are convinced that Roy Harris, native son, and ranked No. 5, cannot help but don the robe of champion some time within the foreseeable future.

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BUT, WHAT about this Cleveland Williams guy? Why have the fans around here taken to him with such enthusiasm? The answer might be found in the facts about the heavily muscled Williams who has shown an amazing speed both in his hands and on foot. He can hit hard enough, with either fist to fell a charging rhino.

This would sound fantastic were it not for the fact that Williams bounced "Big Bob" Albright around on the canvas after the latter had arrived in Houston with an "I've never been off my feet record."

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A MORE RECENT victim of Cleveland was Chicago's rather durable John Holman. And over one brief span, Cleveland polished off three Texans in three separate fights over the space of four rounds.

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After this series of quickies, Houstonians demanded a real test for Williams and Albright was provided as the "guinea pig."

Well, to make the story brief, Bob (I've never been off my feet) Albright hit the deck in the third and, after this jolt, proceeded to absorb an awful pounding right in up until the sixth round when his corner hollered "'nuf!"

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WITH THEIR appetites whetted, Texas Boxing Enterprises lined up Holman as the piece-de-resistance for Cleve.

Holman, with wins over Bob Satterfield and Ezzard Charles, was regarded as formidable opposition. In fact he thrust home a great big heavy right hand against the Williams chin in the opening stanza which made everyone in the Houston Coliseum say "oooooh."

But, the punch didn't even make Mr. Williams blink. Midway in the seventh round, Cleveland made his move with a combination which winged in on Holman so fast that ringsiders could not decide which punch landed first.

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ALL OF THE critics agreed that any one punch in the array was sufficient, and all others were a waste of power.

After the fusillade, the referee didn't even bother to count, for not only had Holman's mouthpiece landed clear over in the fourth row, ringside seats, but his handlers and the commission doctor had stepped into the ring before he had hardly stopped bouncing.

It was evident that Holman had been hurt . . . but good. In fact, it took around five minutes to bring him back around.

As a result of this impressive win, Houstonians are crying, "Bring on Patterson" and "bring on Machen." They are convinced that Williams is the next king of the heavyweight world.

Saddler's Belongings Up for Sale

Auction Off Relics Of Ex-Champ's Past

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NEW YORK—The fight fans, the so-called friends and the ones who went along for a free ride were all absent.

So was Sandy Saddler, who came off the streets of Harlem to become the featherweight champion of the world.

Up for auction at New York's Park Storage Warehouse one day last week were the once prized possessions of a man who is no longer on top. These are the kind of items upon which dreams are founded and memories made.

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THE AUCTION was being held because the warehouse people in which Saddler's possessions had been stored since 1955, had received no word or payment from the fighter in almost four years.

Now they wanted the space and, if possible, enough money to cover the cost of storage.

To the laymen the articles could mean little. There was a boxing glove Saddler used in a championship battle against Willie Pep. Two pairs of boxing trunks, one white, one black, which Saddler wore during his reign as champion, were folded neatly across a bed.

Another pair of trunks were green and white. They were the ones Saddler used when he first started fighting out of the Police Athletic League.

OTHER SMALL items told different tales. One was a diploma from the National Boxing Association, attesting to Saddlers claim as featherweight champion.

There was also an autographed picture of Juan Peron, former Argentina dictator now in exile. There was a clock and numerous pictures of fighters that had felt the wrath of Saddler's ring fury.

All told the items couldn't have amounted to much. Yet, Saddler who made thousands of dollars as a fighter before an automobile accident ended his career in 1956, couldn't claim the mementoes that were once cherished items.

And, as the auctioneer sat and waited for the bidding to start, it was obvious that nobody else seemed to care.

A nurse puts drops into the damaged orb which eventually spelled finis to the boxing career of Sandly Saddler.

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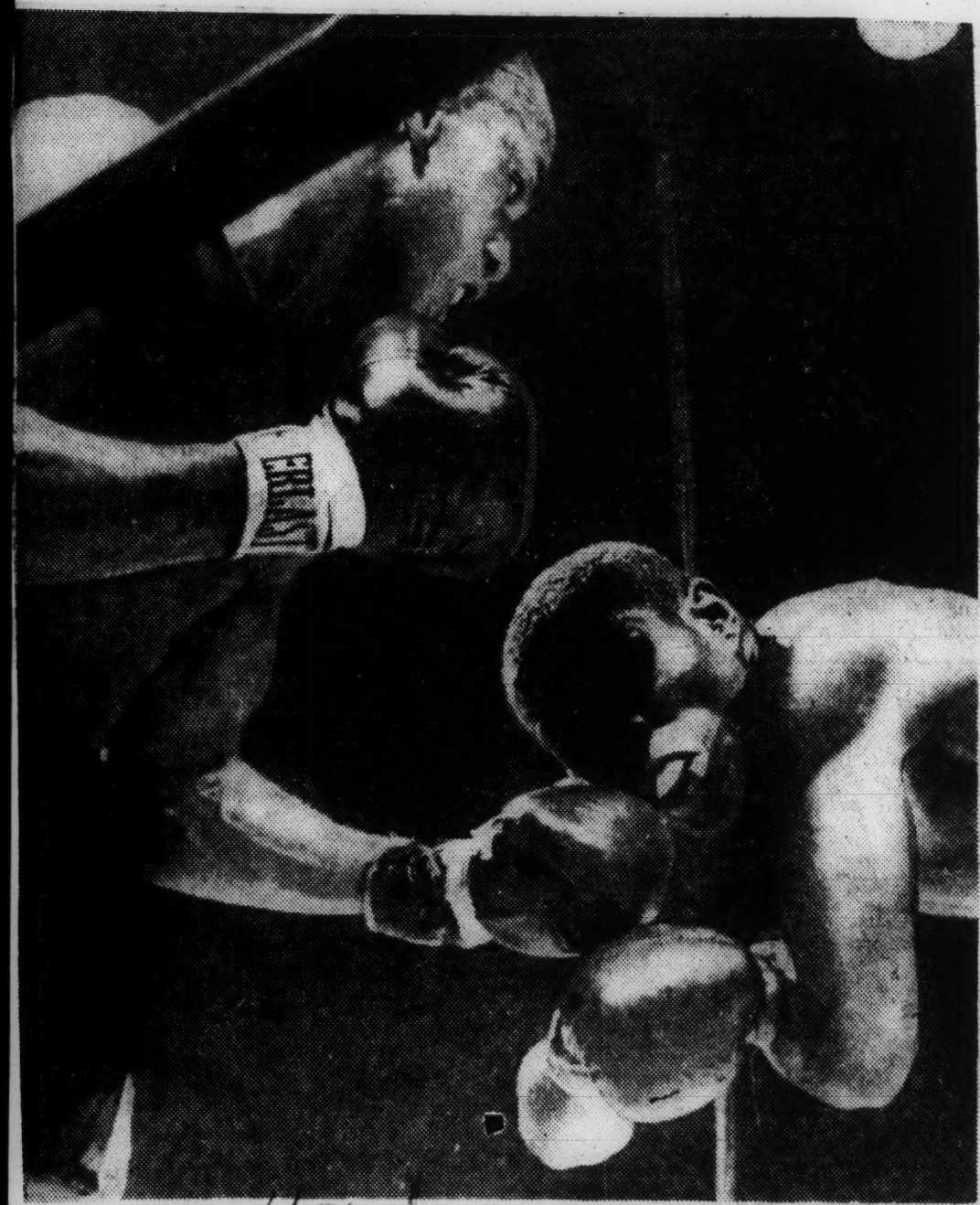

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A LEFT TO JAW—Tony Anthony, left, of New York, bounces a hard left off the face of Chicago's Sonny Ray in their 10-round light heavyweight fight in Madison Square Garden Friday night. Anthony, a strong title contender, won a unanimous decision.

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BOTH MEN TO RISK WINNING STREAKS

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Anthony Seeks Ninth in Row and Ray, Chicagoan, Tenth in Garden Bout Friday

New York

The feature bout at Madison Square Garden next Friday night will pit Tony Anthony of New York, light-heavyweight contender, against Sonny Ray of Chicago. It is scheduled for ten rounds.

Anthony, 28 years old, is called a "picture puncher." He has ambitions of getting a crack at the heavyweight title. Tony hasn't appeared in New York since he knocked out Yvon Durelle in seven rounds on March 14. He has had six fights this year and has won all of them.

Ray, 22, will bring along a streak of nine triumphs, seven of them this year.

Jack Barrett, the Garden matchmaker, has billed two other ten-rounders. Danny Russo, young West Sinde welterweight, will take on Mel Barker, Texan welterweight champion from Austin, in the semi-final.

Solomon Boysaw, undefeated Cleveland lightweight, will meet Earl Dennis, of the Bronx, in the other ten-rounder.

Anthony hasn't lost a fight since he was stopped by Archie Moore for the title on Sept. 20, 1957. Tony started this year with his knockout of Durelle, then follwed with knockouts of Artie Miller, Orville Pitts and Calvin Brad. Anthony outpointed Archie McBride and later stopped McBride in nine rounds on Oct. 3 in Baltimore.

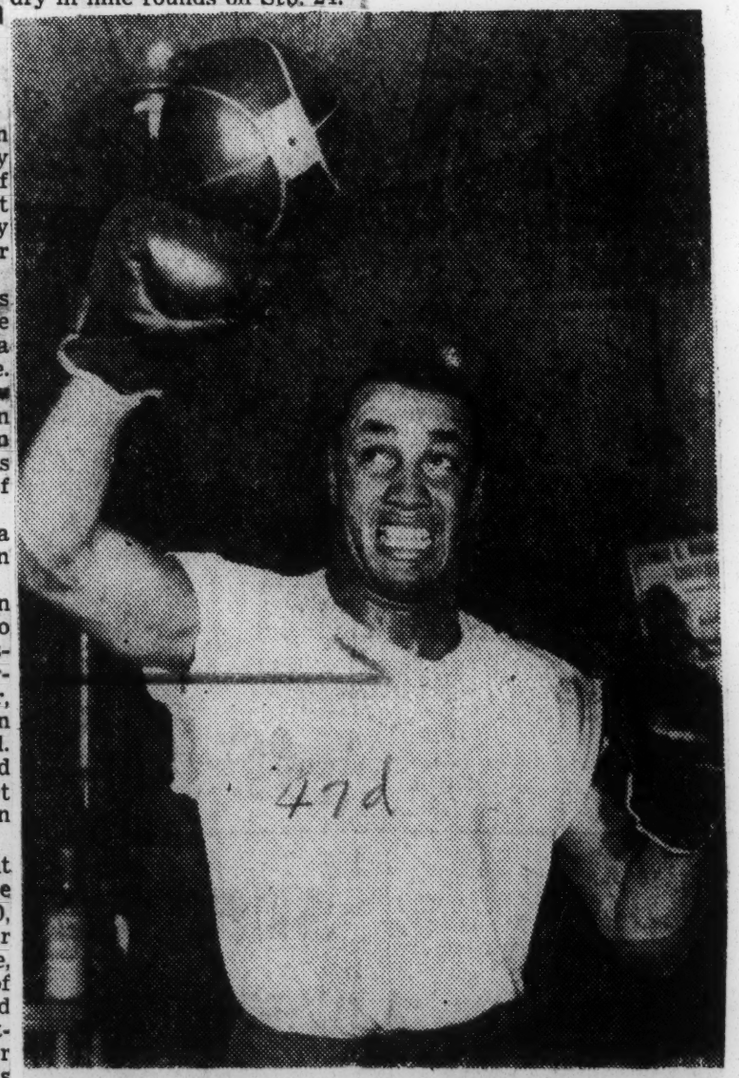
Tony weighed 178½ pounds for his second fight with McBride, his top weight for the year. He has thirty-six of his forty-two fights, with five losses and one draw, and has knocked out twenty-eight rivals.

Worked on Farm

Ray, whose real name is Roger Moten, was born in Halls, Tenn. He is 5 feet 11 inches and is very strong. He developed his muscles loading fruit on his grandmother's Tennessee farm and as an ice loader for the Santa Fe Railroad.

He began boxing in Chicago while visiting his older brother. He won twenty-two of twenty-nine amateur fights. He entered the army in April, 1951, and was stationed at Salsburg, Austria.

He has won eighteen of twenty-seven professional fights, with five losses and five draws. He first gained national attention by knocking out Jesse Bowdry in nine rounds on Sep. 24.



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EARNEST TRAINING: Tony Anthony takes it out on punching bag as he prepares for Friday's light heavyweight bout with Sonny Ray in Madison Square Garden.

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Spider Webb TKO's British Champ in Eight

LONDON, (AP)—Ellsworth (Spider) Webb of Chicago stopped Terry Downes, the British middleweight champion, after eight rounds of their bruising bout in Wembley Indoor Stadium Tuesday night.

Webb weighed 158½ pounds for the scheduled 10-rounder. Downes scaled 159½.

The 22-year-old Briton spurted blood from cuts above both eyes after a torrid fight that had the crowd of 10,000 roaring throughout.

Webb, the world's third-ranked contender for Ray Robinson's 160-pound title, was slightly ahead on points when British Referee Eugene Henderson terminated the fight at the end of the eighth round.

The Associated Press scorecard had Webb in front, three rounds to two with three even.

The setback was only the third in 22 professional bouts for Downes, who boxed in the United States as an amateur.

There was one knockdown in the bloody battle. Webb pushed home a punishing short right to Downes' chin in the first round, and the Briton sank to the canvas.

But Downes was alert all the time. He jumped to his feet as the count reached eight and came back swinging with both fists.

Webb said, "That Downes is a tough fellow. He had a lot of guts. He's a fighter all the way. It's the toughest fight I had in a long time. Downes was always coming forward, anxious to slug it out."

Downes, peering through almost closed eyes and heavily cut above both eyebrows, said "I'd like a return against Webb. I didn't want the fight stopped. I thought I was just starting to get the measure of him."

But after the fifth round Downes was played out. In the seventh Webb scored with short left hooks to Downes' blood-spattered face that the Englishman couldn't stop.

The eighth round opened with toe-to-toe slugging, but Webb soon showed superior strength and delivered more lefts and rights to Downes' face.

When Downes went to his corner with his face a bloody mask, the referee did not hesitate to stop the fight.

Eye cuts also figured prominently in the semifinal in which Carmelo Costa of Brooklyn, N.Y., lost a 10-round decision to Percy Lewis of Trinidad, the British Empire featherweight champion.

Spider Webb Wins TKO Over Joey Giardello

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Underdog Spider Webb slashed deep cuts under and over Joey Giardello's left eye Wednesday night to win by a seventh-round technical knockout in the nationally televised battle between the two ranking middleweights.

Webb, 158¾, from Chicago, took command almost at the start, jabbing Giardello's back and moving in to score with short, sharp rights.

Giardello, 159, of Rosedale, N.Y., had blood pouring down his face when Referee Vern Bybee called a halt after one minute and 30 seconds of the seventh round in their Cow Palace fight scheduled for 10.

Spider Webb Hung A Double Whammy On Joey Giardello In Recent Bout

By SCOTT BALLIE

SAN FRANCISCO. — (UPI) — This city by the Golden Gate was nothing more than "whammyville" Saturday as far as Joey Giardello was concerned.

Last June he lost a controversial decision here in the Cow Palace to Joey Giambra. Then Wednesday night, after being introduced as "the uncrowned middleweight champion of the world," he was stopped in seven rounds by Spider Webb.

A nation-wide television audience plus a crowd of about 10,000 cash customers sat in on Giardello's pre-fight "coronation" by Announcer Jack Reed and ultimate slaughter by the sharp workman from Chicago.

Referee Vern Bybee stopped the bout at 1:30 of the seventh as a river of blood coursed down the Long Islander's features from a cut left eye which he suffered in the fourth round.

It marked the first time that Giardello had failed to the distance since 1950 when Harold Green decked him for the full count.

Rock-solid Joey, who weighed 159 pounds to Webb's 158 3-4, never was off his feet, but neither was he on his stick. He looked tired even as he squared off against Webb, a 7-5 underdog, at the opening bell.

Giardello's biggest gun was his booming right hand which exploded effectively into Webb's face at least four times and made the Spider back up midway through the fourth round. But late in that session, Webb closed in and staggered Giardello with sharp combinations to the face while backing him against the ropes. And after one of Webb's flurries there, a cut beneath Giardello's left eye turned into a nasty wound.

Webb, who turned 27, Wednesday said after his surprisingly easy win that he should get a crack next at Ray Robinson's middleweight title.

"I don't know why they are waiting for Carmen Basilio to take another shot at it," Webb said. "He's too light. He can't lick any of the good middleweights."

STUNG BY SPIDER.—The badly beaten, cut slashed and bashed face shown here belongs to Joey Giardello, New York middleweight by the end of the seventh round of his savage mauling by Spider Webb Wdnesday night in San Francisco's Cow Palace. Giardello who was introduced as the "uncrowned middleweight champion of the world" never had a chance against the smart boxing Spider Webb, in their slated 10-rounder. The referee mercifully stopped it in the seventh round for a technical knockout. Prior to the fight Giardello was widelf regarded as a tough fighter, a real sidewinder; but against Webb last week he was anything but a bad actor. He was cut down to size, although he refused to quit even when he was finished.

WEBB STOPS GIARDELLO IN SEVENTH ROUND

San Francisco ,Nov. 20 (AP) —Chicagoan Spider Webb slashed deep cuts under and over Joey Giardello's left eye Wednesday night to win by a seventh round technical knockout in the nationally televised battle between the two high ranking middleweights.

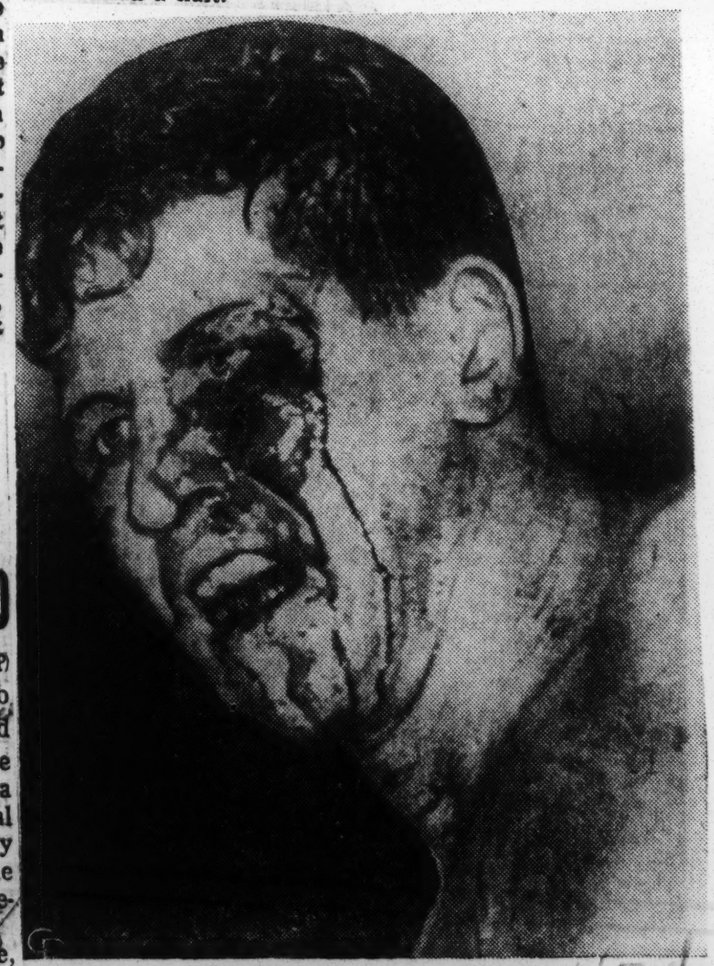
Giardello, 159, of Rosedale, N. Y., had blood pouring down his face when Referee Vern Bybee called a halt after one minute and 30 seconds of the seventh round.

Joey had entered the ring a 2 to 1 favorite. It was only the third time he had been stopped in his 10 year career.

Webb, the No. 4 challenger, opened a cut under the left eye of the third ranked Giardello in the fourth round and slashed a deep gash over the same eye in the sixth.

With Giardello's face and body virtually covered with blood, Bybee called a halt with 30 seconds left in the sixth. Dr. Don Lastretto examined the cut and allowed the fight to continue.

Giardello slammed a hard right to Webb's head to start the seventh, but when the Spider returned the fire Bybee called a halt.



The Loser, Naturally

This battered face belongs to Joey Giardello, the Rosedale, N. Y., welterweight, who took a beating from Spider Webb of Chicago before the referee called a halt in the seventh round of a 10-rounder in San Francisco.

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Truman Gibson Strips For Bout

By JACK CUDDY

NEW YORK — (UPI) — President Truman Gibson of the International Boxing Club began grooming for a battle with the Teleprompter Corporation over the million dollar Friday night television fights.

That was the hottest development since the jumping of negotiations for a heavyweight title bout at Madison Square Garden on Dec. 12, by Cus D'Amato, manager of champion Floyd Patterson.

Gibson notified Sidney Friedman, attorney for the IBC and the Madison Square Garden corporation that Irving B. Kahn, president of the Teleprompter corporation had conferred by telephone with a representative of the Gillette Safety Razor Corporation about the Friday TV fights.

"We could take no action unless there was a breach of contract," said Gibson, himself an attorney. "But I wanted to make certain that Friedman was informed immediately of this surprising development."

Earlier, Ned Irish — executive vice president of the Garden Corporation — told a press conference he had been informed that Kahn of Teleprompter had told Craig Smith, vice-president in charge of advertising for Gillette, that Gillette could have four heavyweight title fights a year if the Friday-night shows were taken away from the Garden-IBC combination.

Kahn, vigorously denied to reporters that he had made any such statement to Smith.

Kahn, whose outfit televises fights to theatres by closed circuit, said, "I telephoned Craig Smith at Boston but made him absolutely no offer on behalf of Teleprompter. I merely suggested that they let us bring them together with D'Amato and I mentioned possibilities by which they could get heavyweight title fights, and still keep IBC in the picture."

Gillette's dual contract with the Garden and the IBC, a Garden subsidiary, will expire on June 1. The sponsor pays them a total of $24,500 for each of the 50 Friday fights staged a year.

Irish, the Garden Vice-president, told his press conference he believed manager D'Amato never had any intention of letting Patterson defend his title at the Garden during their 11 weeks of negotiations.

"He merely wanted us to turn him down," Irish said. "Then he would be in the position of a martyr."

D'Amato is a fiery crusader against the IBC.

Irish said D'Amato had been offered six different dates at the Garden and a record low rental of only 10 per cent of all net receipts. He was also offered a record-equalling $300,000 from home-TV for Dec. 5.

But D'Amato refused Dec. 5 and Dec. 12. Accordingly another title fight — either welterweight or featherweight — will be staged for home TV on Dec. 5 (best TV date in the year) at Los Angeles instead of the Garden, Irish said. There'll be no TV fight Dec. 12.

Welterweight champion Virgil Akins may defend against the winner of an Oct. 22 fight between contenders Don Jordan and Gaspar Ortega at Long Beach, Calif. or Hogan (Kid) Bassey may defend his feather crown against Davey Moore of Springfield, Ohio.

Boxer Beats Out Spanish Melodies on Guitar

But There Will Be No Strings in Jordan's Bout Here Friday

By MICHAEL STRAUSS

Don Jordan, the 24-year-old Geronimo Kid from Los Angeles, was introduced to New York's boxing writers on a musical note yesterday.

The Coast lightweight, who opposes Lahou Godih of Paris in the ten-round feature at the Garden next Friday night, spent the afternoon strumming on a guitar.

Perched on the arm of a heavy, stuffed chair in the offices of the International Boxing Club, Jordan went through an impressive repertoire. His renditions included "Torero" and "Cielito Lindo."

Although he is an American, Jordan—he's part Indian—plays and sings only Spanish tunes. He became interested in the guitar while in Mexico.

Music Hath Charms

"I find it relaxes me," explained the Coast lightweight. "I've tried some American tunes, but they just don't seem to send me the same."

"If you don't play any American songs then you'll never be an Elvis Presley," said Murray Goodman, the I. B. C. publicist, with a smile. "We've had fighters ere who were magicians, artists and jugglers. Now up comes one—an American—who can only sing Spanish music."

Jordan, who comes from a family of nineteen children, is the fifth fighting member of his clan. Four of his brothers tried their hands at fisticuffs but quit the boxing game.

"I guess you could compare this family with the Zivics and the Ortegas," said Eddie Futch, the lightweight's trainer. "If you remember there were five Zivic boys who fought and there've been five Ortegas."

"Don comes by fighting naturally," explained Futch. "You see his father did a lot of it as an amateur in Jim Jeffries' famous brown barn in Burbank. Don loves to fight. He wants to be lightweight champion."

Jordan, rated fourth in his division by the National Boxing Association, gained notice after upsetting Isaac Logart in a nation-wide televised bout in Los Angeles last month. Logart is a welterweight.

"He's been fighting out of his class a lot," said Futch. "He can't seem to get enough bouts with lightweights."

The Coast performer—a bashful lad, except when he's playing the guitar—has had fifty-two professional bouts. He won forty-three, fourteen by knockouts. He has fought in Mexico, as well as in England and on the Coast. In the United States, he never has performed east of California.

Godih Victor Over Baker

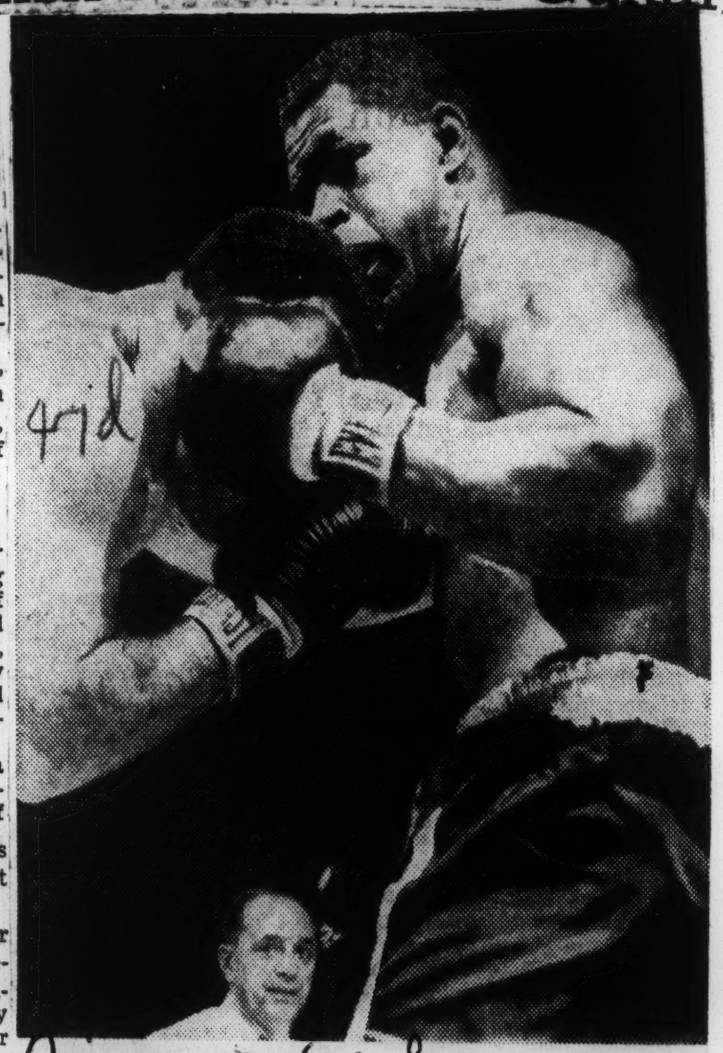
In Godih, a 29-year-old Algerian, Jordan will be meeting a rival who has proved himself in this country. He has appeared in the United States three times, winning twice. He beat Larry Baker, lost to Johnny Busso and then turned back Damaso Collazo.

"We know this Godih has a fine record," said Futch. "I believe he has won forty-seven of fifty-three fights. That makes him sound pretty good. But we're not afraid."

Futch looked to Jordan for confirmation. But Jordan, a relaxed fellow, hadn't been listening. He had been picking away at the guitar, his head bent over the instrument.

"That 'Cielito Lindo' is a real, pretty song," he said. "My wife and four daughters like it the best. It means beautiful skies."

"All I can say that I hope this boy thinks the skies are so beautiful Friday night," said Goodman. "A guitar-playing boxer! What's this game coming to?"



Associated Press

STRIKING POWER: Harold Carter throwing left hook to head of Willi Besmanoff in sixth round of their bout Friday night at Garden. Carter received unanimous decision in the heavyweight event. The referee is Ruby Goldstein.

Brown Sets Title Scrap With Lane

Miami, Fla.

Herald P. 3 D

HOUSTON —(AP)— Lightweight Champion Joe Brown and Kenny Lane the No. 1 challenger from Muskegon, Mich., Wednesday signed contracts for a 15-round title fight in Houston on July 23. Thurs-6-26-58

Brown, 32, was not present for the official announcement, but the 26-year-old Lane was jubilant as his manager, Jack Kearns, signed the contract with Lou Viscusi, the champion's manager.

Joe Brown
... fifth defense

"I've been trying for a title fight for two years and finally have made it," the Michigan fighter said. 47d

Viscusi said the contract calls for Brown to receive 40 per cent of the gate, including television income, and Lane to receive 20 per cent.

Brown calls New Orleans and Houston his homes.

When Brown successfully defended his title here May 7, under a similar contract with Ralph Dupas of New Orleans, Brown received $40,000 and Dupas received $20,000.

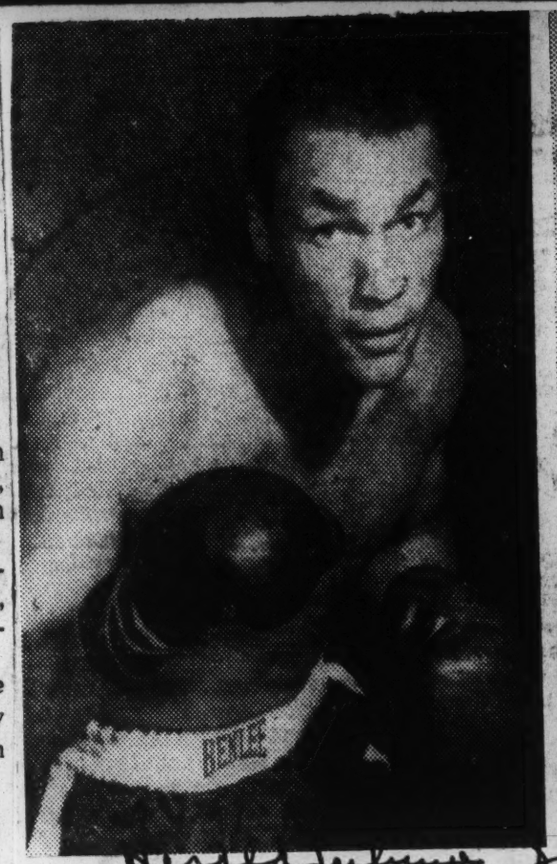
The long-talked-about match between Brown and Lane will be the fifth time Brown has placed his title on the line since winning the championship Aug. 24, 1956, from Wallace (Bud) Smith in 15 rounds at New Orleans.

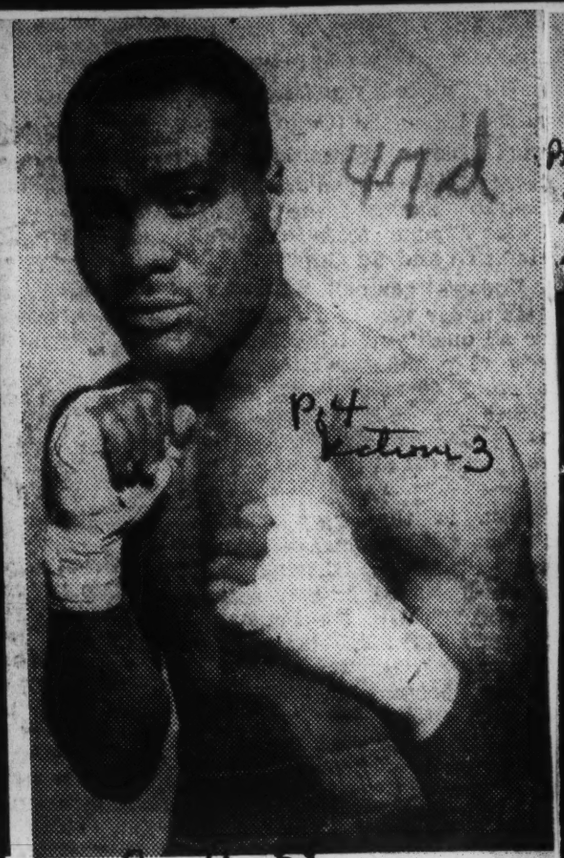
Kenny Lane
... finally made it

He defended successfully with knockouts last year over Smith, Orlando Zuleta and Joey Lopes. Brown defeated Dupas last month with an eighth round technical knockout.

Brown's professional record of 96 contests includes 72 victories, 9 draws and 15 defeats. He has had 32 knockouts.

Lane's record of 58 matches include 53 victories, no draws and 5 defeats. He has scored 15 knockouts.





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WEDNESDAY'S TV BOUT—Tony Anthony (left), of New York, rated among the top contenders for the light heavyweight title, steps into the heavyweight class when he takes on Archie McBride (right), of Trenton, N. J., in a 10-rounder at Syracuse. Anthony has won all four of his bouts this year via the knockout route.

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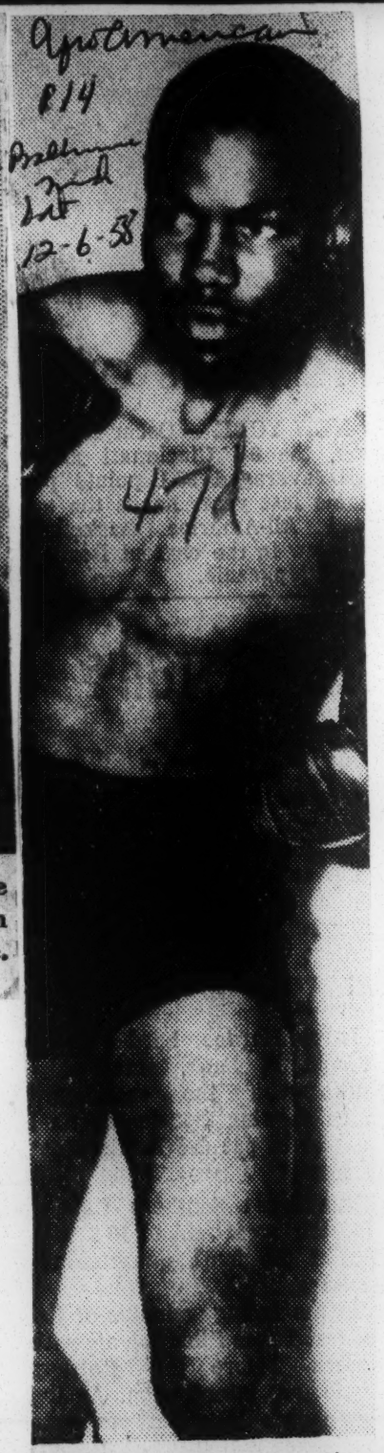

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FIGHTER DIES — Nate Simon, 25, Los Angeles lightweight, who died Wednesday of injuries receivtd in a bout with Danny Davis at Sioux City, Iowa. Simon never regained consciousness after collapse on being hit with a left hook to the ehead.

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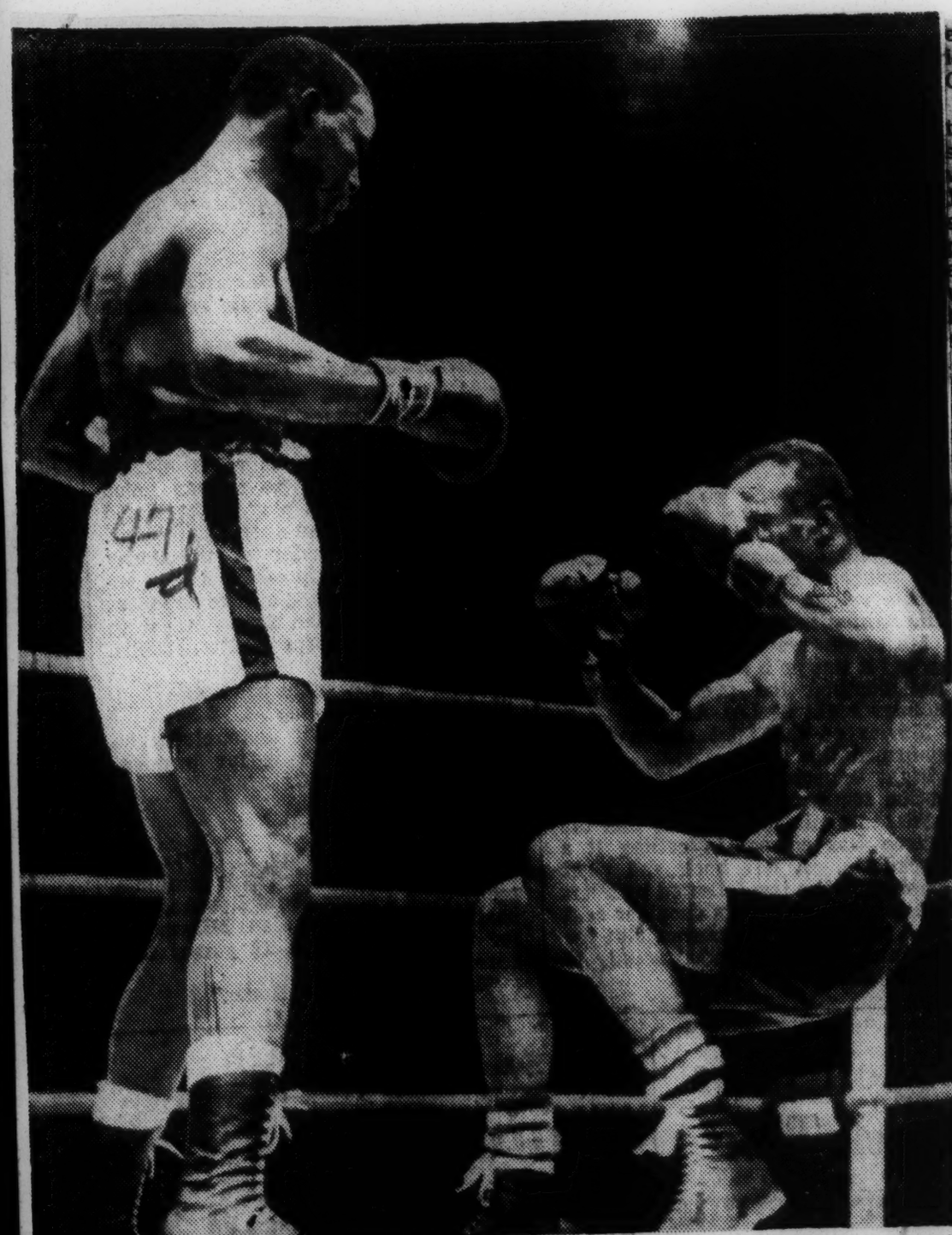


BE SEATED, CHARLIE — Preparing to take a seat without benefit of a chair is Charlie "Tombstone" Smith, of Waco, Tex., in his fight Wednesday night with Virgil Akins, welterweight champion. Smith takes his seat in a 10th round knockdown in Chicago. Akins won on a TKO.

Old Foe Of Jack Johnson

WEEHAWKEN, N. J. — Jo

Jeanette, one of the all-time boxing greats who reached his prime a half-century ago, died in North Hudson Hospital last Wednesday of a heart ailment. He was 78 years of age and had been hospitalized since June 26.

Jeanette, who fought heavyweight champion Jack Johnson eight times in 12 months, 1905-06, and battled Sam Langford more times than can actually be counted, had operated a limousine service and a garage in nearby Union City, N. J.

Over his garage, Jeanette maintained a gym where many outstanding fighters have been developed. Langston referred to Jeanette as the "gamest" man he ever fought and was the only opponent the "Boston Tar Baby" ever gave ground to in a match when in 1905 Langford refused to come out of his corner after eight rounds.

ONE OF the greatest of over 100 fights in which Jeanette participated was the 49-round bout with Sam McVey in Paris, April 17, 1909. Hammered mercilessly for 10 rounds and floored twice for nine counts, Jeanette recovered to batter McVey into an almost unrecognizable pulp. On the day after the fight, Jeanette was acclaimed a hero and rode around the race track on a bicycle, doffing his hat to the screaming throng. Jeanette rated Langford as the greatest fighter of his time, over Jack Johnson.

Jeanette, in an interview several years ago, pointed out that due to the peculiarity of his name he was publicized as everything but a Negro. He was called a Cuban, West Indian, and even a Hawaiian, but he was born almost within eyesight of his Union City limousine service business.

Last month he was chosen to receive the annual Veteran Boxers of America Award, his daughter, Mrs. Agnes Kelly, accepting the trophy in his behalf. Aside from his daughter he is survived by a widow, Adelaide.

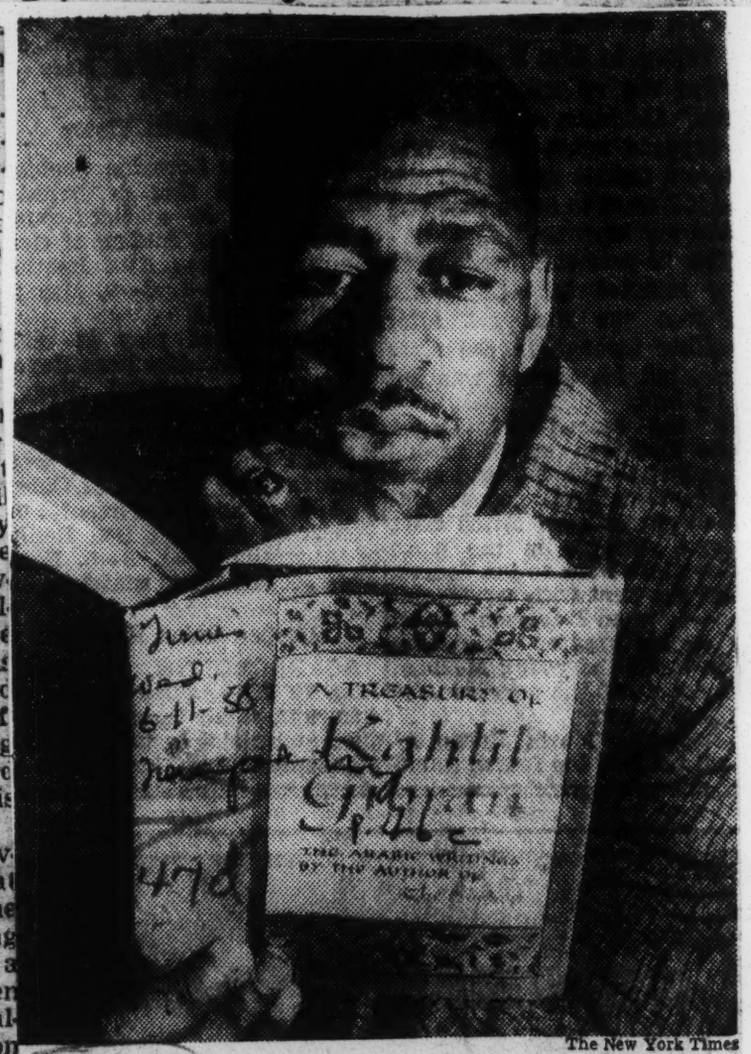
Philosophical Ideas Keep Carter Cool in Prize Ring

By GAY TALESE

For decades now, Hollywood has made movies in which prize fighters almost always are cast as gangsters, hoods, bouncers or punch-drunk lunkheads who say "dese," "dem" and "doze." But in real life, as everyone knows, prize fighters are exemplary gentlemen of infinite charm.

As proof of this, the International Boxing Club yesterday held a "fistic smorgasbord" and introduced to the press a heavy-

Poetry, Sunday School Help Boxer



The New York Times

Harold Carter seeks silence in volume of Arabic poet

weight scholar named Harold Carter.

Carrying a slim-handled umbrella in one hand and a thick book by the poet, Kahlil Gibran in the other, Carter arrived at the I. B. C.'s offices at 1:15 P. M. Newsmen, picking at the pastrami, were waiting for him.

"Gentlemen," said the I. B. C.'s press agent, Murray Goodman, "this is Harold Carter. He will fight Willi Besmanoff at the Garden on Friday night. Carter is a Sunday school teacher, poetry reader and son of a barber. Besmanoff is a baker."

Soon the newsmen had Carter in a neutral corner away from the desk of pastrami, and the heavyweight was being pressed for knowledge.

A Seeker of Sciences

"A seeker of sciences am I," said Carter, quoting from Gibran's The Prophet. "And what treasure have I found in silences that I may dispense with confidence?

"If this indeed be the hour in which I lift up my lantern it is not my flame that shall burn therein. . . ."

And on he went until a reporter asked, "What do you think of the heavyweight situation?"

"I have noa considered it deeply," Carter said, leaning back on his chair, and crossing his legs.

"Well, what's this about you teaching Sunday School?"

"I teach children at the Bethlehem Baptist Church in Roselle, N. P."

"Are you going to become a preacher?"

"I'd be a preacher if I had the calling," Carter said.

"Was English your best subject in school?"

"No."

"What was it?"

"Gym."

"Do people call you punchy?"

"Nobody calls me punchy, man."

His Opponent Arrvies

At 1:25, Carter's opponent,

Besmanoff, arrived, sat down quietly in the corner, and was ignored by the reporters, who still hovered over Carter's smiling countenance.

Carter is 24, weighs 195 pounds, stands 5 feet 11½ inches and has a neatly trimmed mustache. He has won twenty-two of twenty-six professional bouts. But in January of 1957, he was called into the Army, where he came under the influence of Schopenhauer, Nietzche and many sergeants.

During his eleven months, four days and six hours at Fort Dix, N. J., Carter said he became a "seeker of silences," delved into philosophy and signed-out trip tickets. And from some German and Spanish-speaking soldier friends, Carter said, he learned those two languages thoroughly.

When he got Besmanoff's attention across the room, Carter said, "Wie geht's," and then proceeded to speak German to the other heavyweight.

"Does Besemanoff read Goethe?" somebody asked Besmanoff's manager.

"Besmanoff is best at reading checks," was the answer.

Naturally, some reporters were skeptical about Carter's intellectualism, but Goodman assured them that Carter truly was a donnish character. Eighth Avenuetraditionally has been on guard against fighters masquerading as poets, novelists, singers or lovers of classical music, such as Chalky Wright.

Chalky Wright Unmasked

The story goes that Chalky was a likeable fighter who knew everything about classical music; but one day when a woman from Etude magazine came around, and asked Chalky's opinion of Bach, the fighter supposedly answered, "A very clever boy—can't miss."

Before he got up from his chair, Carter was asked by reporters how all this scholary reading helped him in the ring.

Carter thought for a moment, then said it all enabled him to, "keep cool. You know what I mean, man?"

With that, Carter took his umbrella and "A Treasury of Kahlil Gibran," and made his scholary path through Eighth Avenue.

Busy Stitch Battles For Top Bill Tonight

By LARRY BOECK

Courier Journal p. 6

Rudell Stitch, busily knitting a boxing reputation, has his fourth fight in two months tonight at the Armory.

The Louisville welterweight meets Milwaukee's Johnny Neal in the scheduled 10-round main event of the Gateway Boxing Club's second card.

A four-round exhibition by former heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles, an eight-rounder and two fives complete the card. Embarking on a comeback campaign, Cincinnati's Charles will box two rounds each with Sherman Williams and Billy Hester, "heavy" middleweights of Louisville.

First bell is at 8:30. Main event will start around 10 p.m.

Proud papa of five, Stitch will be gunning for a knockout tonight as a means of setting up a promised fight for him with a welterweight ranked in the top 10.

Promised Big Fight

Bill King, who co-promotes nationally televised bouts here with the International Boxing Club, has promised Stitch a shot at a top ranked welter in late August on a non-TV card if Rudell gets by Neal. Stitch is a strong favorite to defeat Neal, but he'd like to do it with a knockout.

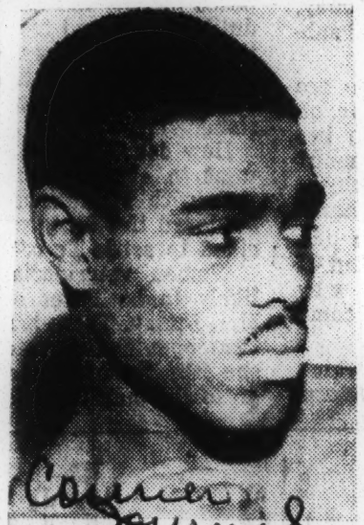
If Stitch, whose record now is 12-3, gets the late-August bout and wins it, King has promised him a nationally televised 10-rounder under I.B.C. auspices.

Neal, who agreed to come in under 150, doesn't have a glossy record. He is expected, however, to provide a solid test for Rudell, expected to weigh 143.

Neal has had 21 bouts and won 11. He has scored four knockouts and been stopped himself five times.

In the semi-windup eight-rounder, Louisville lightweight Billy Williams faces his most rugged test as a pro (8-4 record) when he meets Don Mason of Milwaukee. Mason two years ago lost a close decision to Kenny Lane, who tonight confronts Joe Brown in a lightweight title go.

In sixes, James Roberts, Louisville lightheavy, fights Robert Strayhorn of Cincinnati and Vern Lee of Indianapolis meets Robert Keeling of Dayton.



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Rudell Stitch

Gunning For Top Ranked Welter

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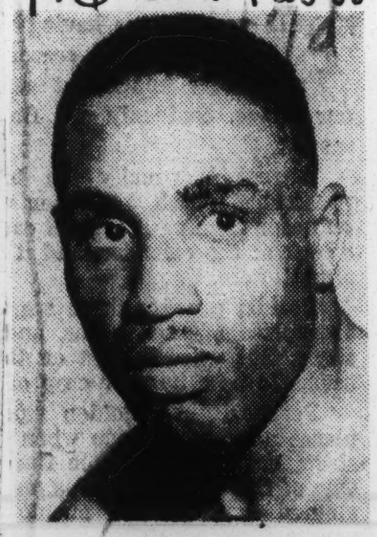

Johnny Neal

Seeks To Thwart Stitch Plans

The Stitch-Neal bout scoring by the referee and judges—on the five-must system — will be revealed after each round to fans via public address and blackboards.

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Joe Brown Retains Title By Beating Lane, and All Of New Orleans Is Happy

HOUSTON, Tex. (ANP)—Although he escaped a knockout, the pre-fight boast of challenger Kenny Lane to stop champion Joe Brown in the late rounds evaporated into thin air as he was forced to hang on to escape a KO in the final stanza.

In the 15-round fight, broadcast and televised nationally under the auspices of the IBC, Truman Gibson Jr., president, Brown retained his lightweight title by scoring a close but unanimous decision over the Michigan farm boy from Muskegon.

Close as the decision was, however, Brown was in command and never in danger throughout the bout. He had to chase the wary Lane all over the ring to get him to fight, although Kenny fought back courageously on several occasions. Had Lane stood up to Brown, there is little doubt that he would have been stopped.

Brown punched hard and boxed well but did not appear as sharp as he was in stopping Ralph Dupas in eighth round recently. He admitted that Lane's southpaw style bothered him.

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BROWN TOOK the first, third, seventh, 10th and 15th rounds by wide margin although he was unable to land solidly enough to put his man away, he cut Lane's eye and mouth, and bloodied his nose. Lane lost his mouthpiece twice when Brown connected with right uppercuts.

All three officials voted for Brown. The referee, Ernie Taylor, scored it 143-142, and Judges Jimmy Webb and Bill Cornelius voted 145-141 and 144-143, respectively.

Brown, who hails from New Orleans, thus racked up his fifth successful title defense. In other title bouts, he stopped Wallace (Bud) Smith, from whom he won the crown; Orlando Zulota, Joey Lopes, and Dupas.

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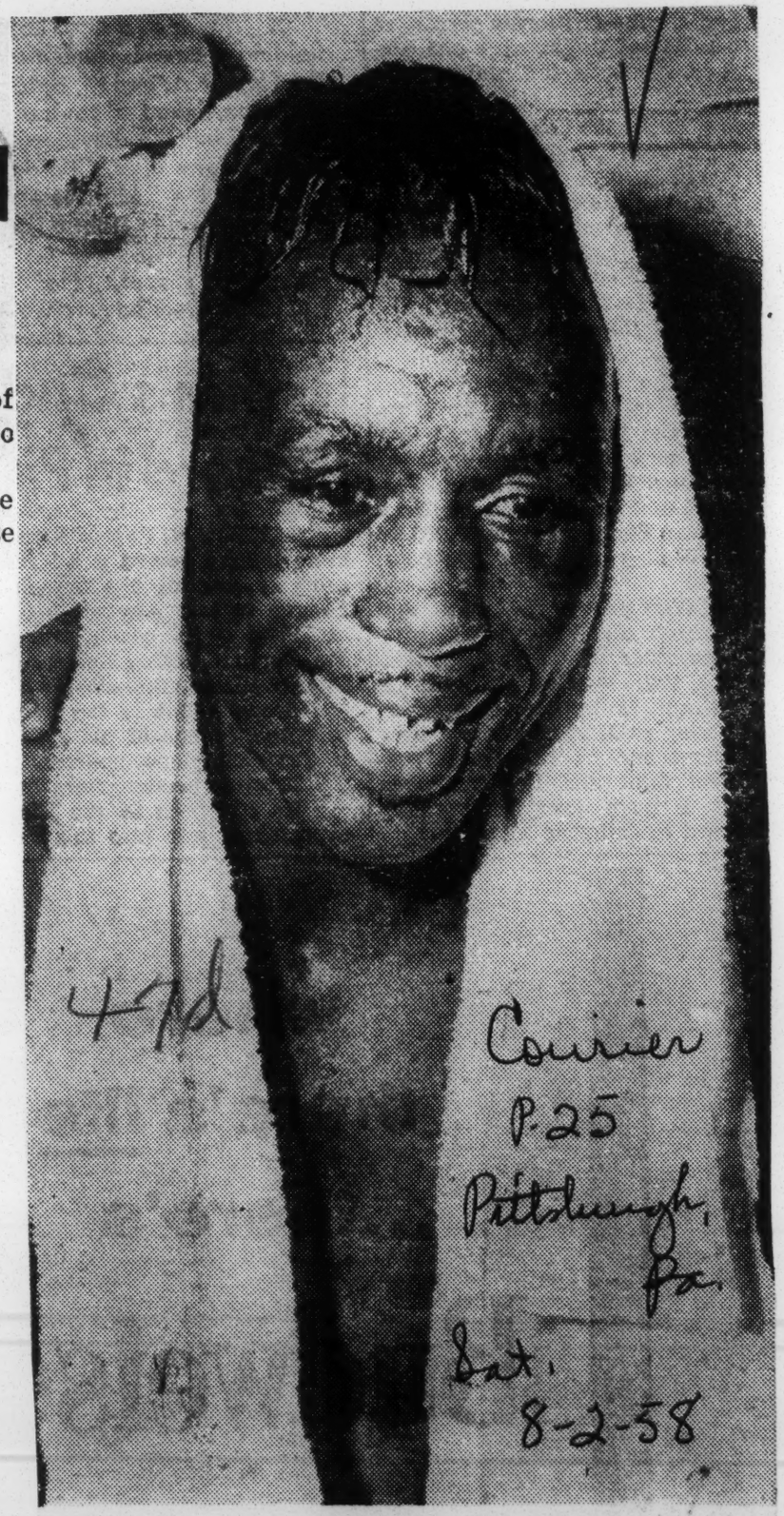
THE FIGHT drew a ringside crowd of 11,000, who paid a gross of $69,203.50 and $61,023.33 net. Another $40,000 came from radio-television. Brown took 40 per cent of the net, and Lane 20.

It was the second championship fight for Houston, which has turned out to be a pretty fair fight-town.



Winning Grin—Joe Brown had plenty of reason to grin as he reposed in his dressing room. Joe had just retained his lightweight boxing title in a tough 15-round match against a tough challenger, Kenny Lane of Muskegon, Mich., in Houston's Coliseum before an SRO house—Wide World Photo.

Joe Brown named 'Boxer of Month'

Afro American p 13

NEW YORK — The July ratings of Ring Magazine last week selected world lightweight champion Joey Brown of Houston, by way of Baton Rouge, La., "fighter of the month."

Baltimore

Brown earned the honor by virtue of his sensational rally to retain his crown against Kenny Lane of Muskegon, Mich., two weeks ago.

The July rankings were marked by several noteworthy shifts. Outstanding among these were the shuffling of heavyweight Zora Folley, light-heavyweight Harold Johnson, welterweight Isaac Logart and featherweight Davey Moore.

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FOLLEY GAINED undisputed No. 1 challenger's ranking through his knockout of Pete Rademacher. Johnson was moved up a notch over Tony Anthony, in the line of succession to Archie Moore's throne.

Logart's loss to Don Jordan of Los Angeles, tilted him to the No. 3 spot among the 147-pounders, and Moore lifted himself to No. 1 with the feathers by decisioning Kid Anuhuac in Mexico City.

Here are the ratings:

Heavyweights—Champion **Floyd Patterson**, 1. **Zora Folley**, 2. **Eddie Machen**, 3. Willie Pastrano, 4. **Archie Moore**, 5. Roy Harris, 6. ..... 7. Ingemar Johansson, 8. Alex Miteff, 9. George Chuvalo, 10. **Harold Carter**.

Light-heavyweights —Champion **Archie Moore**, 1. Harold ohnson, 2. Eony Anthony, 3. Yvon Durelle, 4. Erich Schoepper, 5. Mike Holt, 6. **Jesse Bowdry**, 7. **Yolande Pompey**, 8. Chuck Spieser, 9. Willie Hoepner, 10. **Clarence Hinnant**.

Middleweights — Champion **Ray Robinson**, 1. Carmen Basilio, 2. Gene Fullmer, 3. Joey Giardello, 4. Charley Humez, 5. **Spider Webb**, 6. Rory Calhoun, 7. **Holly Mims**, 8. Joey Giambra, 9. **Yama Bahama**, 10. **Bobby Boyd**.

Welterweights — Champion **Virgil Akins**, 1. Gaspar Ortega, 2. Isaac Logart, 3. Vince Martinez, 4. **Sugar Hart**, 5. **Gil Turner**, 6. Ralph Dupas, 7. Trombstone Smith, 8. **Don Jordan**, 9. **Mickey** Crawford, 10. **Gerald Gray**.

Lightweights—Champion **Joe Brown**, 1. Duilio Loi, 2. Kenny Lane, 3. Paolo Rosi, 4. Dave Charnley, 5. Willie Toweel, 6. Johnny Busso, 7. Carlos Ortiz, 8. Joey Lopes, 9. Al Nevarez, 10. Paul Armstead.

Featherweights — Champion **Hogan (Kid) Bassey**, 1. Davey Moore, 2. Paul Jorgensen, 3. Flash Elorde, 4. Cherif Hamia, 5. Gracieux Lamperti, 6. Iks Chestnut, 7. Manolo Garcia, 8. Harold Gomes, 9. Richardo Gonzales, 10. Ricardo Moreno.

Bantamweights — Champion Alphonse Halimi, 1. Leo Espinosa, 2. Manuel Armenteros, 3. Mario D'Agata, 4. Raul Macias, 5. Jose Lopez, 6. Eugene Lecozannet, 7. Joe Beccerra, 8. Piero Rollo, 9. Al Asuncion, 10. Peter Keenan.

Flyweights — Champion Psacual Perez, 1. Ramon Arias, 2. Pone Kingpetch, 3. Young Martin, 4. Dommy Ursua, 5. Ramon Calatayud, 6. Sado Yaoita, 7. Carlos Miranda, 8. Masaji Iwamoto, 9. Mario DeLeon, 10. Robert Pollazon.

SPINS HIM AROUND—Ralph (Tiger) Jones, left, is tagged by Rory Calhoun with a stinging right in the 10th and final round of their middleweight fight Friday night in New York. A low blow by Calhoun in the eighth cost him that round and Jones won the decision by a slight margin.

Associated Press Photo

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GIBSON PROMOTED TO TOP POSITION

New York

Chicagoan Succeeds Norris in I.B.C. Post—Markson Is Elected to Board

Sat. 4-19-58

By HOWARD M. TUCKNER

James D. Norris yesterday resigned as president of the New York and Illinois International Boxing Clubs. He was succeeded as head of both companies by Truman K. Gibson Jr., of Chicago, who formerly served as secretary and executive vice president of the organization.

The 52-year-old Norris also resigned as a director of the I. B. C. of New York. He was replaced by Harry Markson, the I. B. C.'s managing director. Norris will remain as president of the Madison Square Garden Corporation, which owns all the stock in the I. B. C.

Norris, a wealthy sportsman with vast business interests, said he was quitting the job because of poor health.

"My doctors advised me last fall, following a severe heart attack, to restrict my activities by resigning as head of this company," Norris said in a statement released by the I. B. C. "I postponed tendering my resignation at that time, wanting to renew the television contract for the Friday night telecasts, which has now been accomplished."

Directors Meet Here

The decision to promote Gibson was made yesterday afternoon at an I. B. C. board of director's meeting at the St. Regis Hotel. Norris was not present at the meeting. He was believed to be fishing off the Florida coast and was unavailable for comment.

Norris, who owns the Chicago Black Hawks of the National Hockey League, also has large interests in Madison Square Garden, Chicago Stadium, St. Louis Arena and the Detroit Olympia.

Since he became boxing's major promoter in 1949, when the I. B. C. was formed, Norris has promoted most of the title fights in this country. In recent years his activities in boxing have been complicated by legal entanglements.

The Government last July found the International Boxing Clubs of New York and Chicago, the Madison Square Garden Corporation and Norris guilty of monopolizing championship fights.

Appeal Is Made

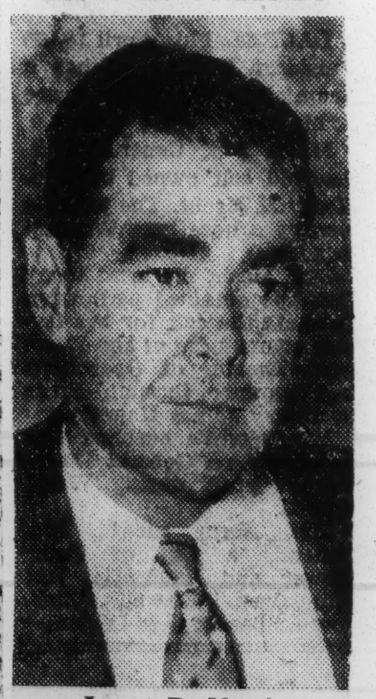
As part of that decision, the Government directed that the I. B. C. organizations of New York and Illinois be dissolved. However, the Supreme Court last month agreed to hear the I. B. C.'s appeal from this verdict.

In a telephone interview last night, Gibson said he contemplated on changes in the operation of the organization.

"We will have to wait until the Supreme Court makes its ruling," Gibson said. "Until then no changes will be made in our operations."

Gibson, 46 years old, is a graduate of the University of Chicago Law School. He first became interested in boxing in 1946, when he handled the income tax problems of Joe Louis, the former heavyweight champion. Three years later, Gibson, Louis and the late Harry Mendel helped Norris to form the I. B. C.

In I. B. C. Shift



James D. Norris

The New York Times

Truman K. Gibson Jr.

Champ Brown Matches Mitts With Dupas in TV Title Bout

Lightweights Go at Houston

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP)—Joe Brown and Ralph Dupas, a couple of New Orleans boys who couldn't meet in their home town, will battle here Wednesday night with the world's lightweight championship as the prize.

Brown, a Negro, holds the title and is making his first defense of the year. He says he wishes he could have done it in New Orleans but the Louisiana interracial law prevented it.

Anyway, said the champion as he rested at his secluded camp 20 miles from Houston, he'll win the fight, probably by a knockout and early. In fact, Brown was so confident of victory over Dupas that he was already talking about when he would defend his title against Kenny Lane, the No. 1 contender. Dupas is rated No. 2.

TALE OF THE TAPE

BROWN		DUPAS
31	Age	22
135	Weight	135
5 7½	Height	5 8½
70½	Reach	65
34	Chest (normal)	38
36¾	Chest (expanded)	40
29½	Waist	30
15½	Neck	15½
19½	Thigh	18
13	Calf	13½
11½	Biceps	11½
10½	Forearm	10
11¼	Fist	10½
10¼	Ankle	9
6½	Wrist	6¾

"By the time I get to Lane they will have it worked out so we can fight in New Orleans," said Brown. "That will be the big money."

Brown said he figures to knock out Dupas "maybe by the fifth or sixth round. But I'm going to try to do it in the first round. I don't want to have to work any more than necessary."

The champion said he thinks Dupas would be easier because he has had to take off weight.

"When a fellow has to take off six or seven pounds and get down from 142 he's bound to have weakened himself," Brown observed.

"I'd beat him anyway but this way it'll be easier."

Angelo Dundee, Dupas' manager, disputed the contention that his boy has been having trouble making 135 pounds.

"He's 137 pounds and he'll be down to 135 by weighin without effort," said Dundee. "He's been fighting welterweights and middleweights and is strong and tough."

The largest gate for a championship or any other fight in Texas apparently is assured. Ticket sales indicated a turnout of 11,000 paying $60,000 in the Sam Houston Coliseum at 9 p.m., EST, for the nationally televised fight.

The previous high was 8,806 paying $46,962 for the Roy Harris-Willie Pastrano heavyweight bout here last June.

There have been two previous world championship fights in Texas, neither drawing more than 3,000 fans, however. In 1936 Petey Sarron defended his bantamweight title at Dallas and in 1943 Manuel Ortiz put the bantam crown on the line at Fort Worth.

In direct contrast to Brown, Dupas held a spirited workout Monday although he did no sparring. Brown did nothing at all. Dundee pointed out to newspapermen the quickness of Dupas as he pounded away at the punching bag.

The scheduled fifteen-rounder is expected to draw a crowd of more than 10,000 to the Houston Coliseum.

A gross gate of about $60,000 plus $30,000 in television money will make up the paychecks for the fighters. Brown will get 40 per cent and Dupas 20 per cent of the gross.

Brown and Dupas, both from New Orleans, have been feuding over which was the better man since Dupas danced and jabbed his way out of the Crescent City's French Quarter five years ago to earn more money in single fights than Brown was making in a year.

Brown is expected to weigh in at noon tomorrow right on or slightly below the 135-pound lightweight limit.

The challenger was down to 137 today, and should be able to sweat off the two extra pounds without much trouble.

HOW RIVALS COMPARE

Brown		Dupas
31	Age	22
135 lbs.	Weight	135 lbs.
5 ft 7½ in.	Height	5 ft 8½ in.
70½ in.	Reach	65 in.
34 in.	Chest (normal)	38 in.
36¾ in.	Chest (expanded)	40 in.
29½ in.	Waist	30 in.
15½ in.	Neck	15½ in.
19½ in.	Thigh	18 in.
13 in.	Calf	13½ in.
11½ in.	Biceps	11½ in.
10½ in.	Forearm	10 in.
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6¼ in.	Wrist	6¾ in.

JOE BROWN, DUPAS IN FIGHT TONIGHT

Lightweight King Is Slight Favorite Over Ralph in Houston Title Bout

HOUSTON, May 6 (UP)—Joe Brown will get his chance to settle a long feud tomorrow night when he defends the worlds lightweight championship against speedy Ralph Dupas.

Brown was a slight favorite today to retain his crown in the nationally-televised fight.

Associated Press Wirephoto

CHAMPION RELAXES AT HORSESHOE PIT

Joe Brown Aims for Ralph Dupas' Jaw Tonight

'I Just Got Careless,' Says Dupas

HOUSTON, Tex.—(AP)—"I just got careless," said a dejected Ralph Dupas after losing to World's Lightweight Champion Joe Brown on a technical knockout in the eighth round.

When Brown cut loose with one-two punches in the eighth round, Dupas was sent to the canvas for only the fourth time in a career that has included 84 professional bouts.

"I don't know what he hit me with," Dupas said. "I didn't see it. "I just got careless. I must have gotten careless."

Both Dupas and his trainer, Angelo Dundee, denied that a pre-fight weight problem had anything to do with the outcome.

Brown said Dupas never hurt him.

"Dupas is a pretty good fighter but he shouldn't try to make it in the lightweight division," Brown said. Dupas had been fighting in the middleweight division and dropped his weight to 134 for the fight.

"I'm a pretty good fighter," Brown said, "And I sure am lucky."

Brown said it was a left hook to the body in the eighth that set Dupas up for the flurry of punches that left him senseless and unable to continue.

Gibson Repudiates Carbo, Denies Feud With D'Amato

By Jesse Abramson

Truman Kella Gibson Jr. planted himself in Jim Norris' old chair in his Madison Square Garden office yesterday and held his first press conference as boxing's new No. 1 promoter since he was named president of the International Boxing Clubs of New York and Illinois last Friday.

The 46-year-old Chicagoan trained in the law (University of Chicago Law School '35) but not given to circumlocutions plunged into a delicate situation, without a question being asked, by stating:

"I have never associated with Frankie Carbo and won't start now. And I don't have to tell you that Harry (Harry Markson, managing director of the I. B. C.) never associated with Carbo either."

Why did Gibson bring up the name of the underworld figure who is alleged to have great influence in boxing and whose ties with boxing are now the subject of another investigation by District Attorney Frank Hogan?

"Well, I thought the question would be asked," said Gibson. "It was asked, right off, by a local sports columnist over the telephone. Like the question, 'When did you stop beating your wife?,' I was asked when would I stop associating with Carbo.

"We—Harry and I—have been given a free hand. We will continue to operate by the book; the letter and spirit of the commission's rules, here and elsewhere, will be strictly complied with.

"I have been accused of having 'capacious pockets and rapacious hands.' I have never had any financial interest in a fighter, manager or promoter, nor taken any gratuity from them.

"We have no commitments with anyone; the proof of the pudding will be in the eating."

D'Amato's Enmity

On the feud with Cus D'Amato, manager of heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson, Gibson said the feud was unilateral.

"We would like to promote a heavyweight championship fight, but if the price of peace is to give up one of our two network shows, we will not pay it," said Gibson. "We can't; it's not in our power. The network fight shows are not a plum or a gift; we earned them by reason of performance. There's no assurance that if we dropped the Wednesday or Friday show as D'Amato insists we must do to make peace with him, a sponsor would deal with anyone else or continue the show. There's tremendous pressure to take the prime television time away from boxing, but boxing has proved it can sell the sponsor's product."

Welter Title Bout

First title order of business for Gibson is finding a site for the Vince Martinez-Virgil Akins bout which will crown a new welterweight champion. It's scheduled June 6 and first choice is St. Louis, except that a baseball game is scheduled there the same night.

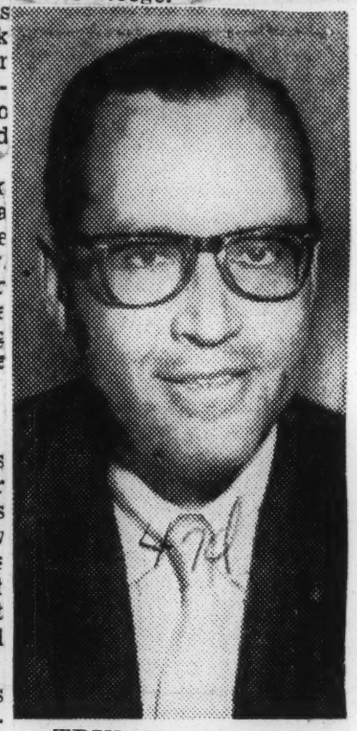
Though Morris, for reasons of health and his many interests and his frequent visits in his Florida home, was often an absentee promoter, Gibson will be a full-time promoter of boxing. He never dreamed that his wartime association with Joe Louis as his lawyer would lead him to his present job as boxing's top promoter.

Born in Atlanta, educated in Columbus, Ohio, schools and the University of Chicago, Gibson is immaculately dressed, articulate and forthright. He has learned all the ins and outs of boxing, though his college sports were football (guard) and track (discus thrower). If he hadn't become a boxing man, he probably would have been in law and insurance. He is a director and member of the executive committee of a Chicago insurance firm of which his father is chairman of the board. He is married and has one daughter who has applied for admission to Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville. If she goes to college here, Gibson will become a New York resident.

But he won't be his own lawyer as I. B. C. head.

"Who was it once said, let's get it right, "A man who is his own lawyer has a fool for a client.'"

The able and vigorous new boxing promoter is nobody's fool or stooge.



TRUMAN GIBSON

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Heads big million $$ corporation

By SAM LACY
AFRO Sports Editor

CHICAGO—His elevation to the presidency of the multi-million - dollar International Boxing Club over the weekend, left Truman K. Gibson Jr. completely stunned.

"It happened so suddenly," Gibson told the AFRO Saturday morning. "I hardly know what to say. Speechless is an adjective that has been greatly over-used, but that's what I was when I left New York last night (Friday).

While the 46-year-old lawyer conceivably can gross as much as $100,000 a year, he told the AFRO he had not had the time to give "serious thought to what it may mean in terms of salary and future, either to the organization or myself."

He said that, for almost a year, he has been running the IBC in the absence of president Jim Norris, therefore, the new post would mean little in the nature of added responsibilities.

Norris, millionaire head of the club, announced Friday that he was retiring on the advice of his doctors. They told him last fall that he should resign, after he had suffered a severe heart attack.

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ALTHOUGH THE suave Gibson stated that he has given little thought to his new post, it must be obvious that he understands the gravity of at least two problems he has inherited along with the job.

The IBC is in the midst of anti-trust action brought by the United States Government, aimed at smashing the powerful organization and, secondly, the club is currently operating for the first time since its 1949 conception, without control of the heavyweight title — admittedly the most lucrative of all boxing properties.

Norris lost an anti-trust battle with the government last summer, and was ordered to dissolve the New York branch of the IBC, and give up his stock in both the IBC and Madison Square Garden.

TRUMAN GIBSON
New president of International Boxing Club

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HIS FRIDAY resignation from the IBC, plus a Supreme Court willingness to review the anti-trust decision, may give both Norris and the IBC relief from the trial court penalty.

Gibson, in an interview with the AFRO last summer, maintained that the club, in his opinion, was not conducting a monopoly. He contended that, under IBC aegis, title fights were put on in all sections of the country and that title shots were given consistently to any and all fighters deserving them.

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LOSS OF THE promotional rights to the heavyweight crown came about with the ascendancy of Floyd Patterson to the throne. Patterson's manager, Cus D'Amato, has long harbored a dislike of IBC policy and operation and steadfastly refuses to have any dealings with any boxer or his manager who associates with the organization.

With regard to Gibson's earning potential in the club presidency, the AFRO learned on good authority that the University of Chicago law graduate was paid an estimated $25,000 as vice president.

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LAST FALL, when Norris withdrew from actively running the club, Gibson was elected to the post of executive vice president. The new responsibilities which thus fell upon him were worth an estimated $10,000 more.

Both salaries were exclusive of a liberal expense account, an informed source said.

Gibson's pay as president is expected to mount to a fixed $65,000 a year, plus a percentage stipulation from receipts from the movies of all title fights. Augmented by an open expense account, the Gibson check may well be expected to reach a gross of $100,000 per year.

GIBSON TOOK a circuitous route to his new position, undoubtedly the highest ever achieved by a colored person in the field of sports.

In 1940, he was assistant to the civilian aide to the Secretary of War. He became acting aide to the Secretary of War in 1943, and in 1946, was appointed to the President's advisory committee on universal military training.

In 1949, he was serving as attorney for Joe Louis and the Brown Bomber's personal advisor when, between them, they conceived the idea of locking up the world heavyweight title through promotion of a series of championship fights.

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THIS WAS the brainchild which gave birth to the IBC, with Jim Norris as its head.

Louis, who was then champion, retired and signed the leading challengers — Jersey Joe Walcott and Ezzard Charles—to exclusive contracts.

Norris joined Joe as a partner and since 1949, has promoted most of the title bouts in the U.S.

Prays FOR His Foes:

Champion Featherweight Boxer Neither Predicts A Victory Nor Forgets Friends and Family

By HARVEY DAY
Courier-Journal Special Writer

DORCHESTER-on-Thames—"Hogan Bassey," murmured the promoter, wrinkling his brow. "Never heard of you. Who've you fought? Who've you beaten?"

"I'm the bantamweight champion of Nigeria, sir."

"Oh. Sorry, lad; but that means nothing here. You're not a big enough draw for my bill. Come and see me again when you've won a few fights in England."

Hogan Bassey was sick at heart. Every promotor he approached took the same line. None told him how it was possible to win fights if never given a chance to step into the ring.

Then, when Bassey was down to his last shilling, the late Johnny Best, promotor at the Liverpool Stadium, gave the boy from Creektown on the Calabar Coast his chance. Tears of gratitude welled into Bassey's eyes.

"Mr. Best," he vowed, "when I am champion of the world, I promise that I will fight for you in my very next contest."

Old John Best smiled. So many boxers were grateful when on the floor but forgot all about the good turns done them when success came their way.

"Thank you, Hogan," he said skeptically, "I hope you will keep your word."

For A Small Purse

Early in 1958, Bassey became featherweight champion of the world. Soon after, he climbed into the ring at the Liverpool Stadium against the Belgian, Pierre Cossemyns, for a purse many a small-town boxer would have scorned. Though John Best is dead, Bassey was keeping his word to his son who now runs the show.

Bassey's rise to stardom is one of those stories that give hope to all who enter the slugging profession. He never had pulled on a glove until 1948 when he was a 16-year-old student at the Ahmadiyya School in Lagos, but he was such an apt pupil that he was urged to turn professional.

In 1950, he left school to become a civilian clerk in the Army Ordnance Corps. Before the year was out, he was Nigerian champion.

His ambition was to save £500 to make the future safe for his parents, but that target seemed a long way off for he was seldom paid more than £2 a fight. England was the land where boxers made real money, so it was to England that he came in 1951.

But not for months—until he met John Best—was he able to get a fight and then so convincingly did he win that six more opponents were lined up quickly. He demolished them, and was matched against John Kelly of Belfast, who proved to be the more experienced man. He learned much from that defeat and returned to England to notch eight victories in a row —three in one month.

The turning point of Bassey's career came when he disposed of a fine craftsman, Sammy McCarthy, who was heralded as a future world champion much too early in his career. The verdict was hotly disputed by McCarthy fans, but sound judges knew it was right.

Then, one day, the magic figure of £500 swam before Bassey's unbelieving eyes as he was signed to fight Billy Kelly for that sum. Kelly was a tough proposition, but after 30 minutes of violent punching Bassey found himself champion of Britain.

In the fall of 1957, an encounter was arranged between Bassey and Cherif Hamia for the world championship. Hamia was the craftier fighter and piled up points in the early rounds, but the rugged Nigerian kept boring in and landing ribcrackers. In the tenth he slugged his man through the ropes. Hamia grabbed him in falling and the two went through together; but Hamia was finished and the fight was stopped in the next round to prevent murder.

Family Comes First

Bassey is not the first West African to become a world champion. In 1922, Battling Siki of Senegal hammered Georges Carpentier to a pitiful pulp in front of a dazed French crowd. But there is a world of difference between Bassey and the big, flamboyant Siki who wore fantastic suits, tossed his money about in night clubs and swaggered down the boulevards with a pet lion on a chain.

After beating Hamia, Bassey's first thought was for his parents and his wife and baby. Next day, he sent his parents £5,000 out of his £7,500 purse. Nor does he act like most champions.

He doesn't think, even now, that he has no more to learn, or that he needn't train.

Just before the fight with Ricardo "Pajarito" Moreno in Los Angeles April 1, Moreno's manager said, "Richardo hits so hard he thinks he doesn't have to train except in front of dance bands."

(Bassey defended his title successfully with a smashing third-round knockout.)

That will never be said of Bassey, who on Christmas Day, 1957, was out on the road at 5:30 in the morning and later went through a schedule of tough exercises in the gym.

Works Out Daily

Every evening, he works out in Charlie Fox's Merseyside gym; then back home to Princes Park, Liverpool, for a steak cooked by his wife.

After beating Hamia, Okon Asuquo-Bassey (his real name) went home to Nigeria for a short visit. He was wined and dined. His people wouldn't let him train and made him a tribal chief, yet when he returned, he was only 3 pounds overweight.

When he got back to Liverpool, the Queen bestowed the M.B.E. (Member of the British Empire) on Bassey in recognition of his fine, modest behavior and the way in which he upheld British sporting traditions.

He is successful not merely because he is a good boxer, a tremendous hitter and incredibly tough. Bassey is unusually modest and gives ear to his trainer, George Biddles, who bought his contract when no one would look at him. He is intensely loyal to friends.

Biddles says there is no reason why Bassey should not salt away £100,000 before he eventually peels of the gloves for good. It's a far cry from the £500 on which he once set his heart.

He doesn't intend to keep on till he's punch drunk but will retire after a spell at the top—unless he is dethroned. Then he hopes to open either a garage or a restaurant.

Unlike most champion boxers, Hogan Bassey never predicts victory. The most the press boys can get him to say, is, "I'll do my best."

Hogan Bassey skips rope in preparation for the Moreno bout on April 1, which he won easily. Bassey still works out daily.

In the tradition of other Negro champions like "Tiger" Flowers and "Homicide" Henry Armstrong, he is religious and always breathes a short but fervent prayer before stepping into the ring. But with this difference: they prayed for victory; Bassey prays that his opponent will not be seriously hurt!

Negro Prelim Slated on Tony Dupas-Fuentes Card

Ralph Dupas Will Fight Here June 16

Times-Picayune P3

Freddie Little, underfeaed Welterweight protege of Whitey Esneault and a student at Dillard university with an 8-0 pro record, has been signed to meet Johnny Johnson in the six-round semifinal to the Tony Dupas-Ramon Fuentes 10-round feature bout Tuesday night at the Municipal Auditorium. Little and Johnson are Negroes.

Little is regarded as one of the top ring prospects developed here in years and the Johnson bout is sai to be a stiff test for him. Johnson is a stablemate of Charley Joseph and is credited with winning 11 of 15 pro fights.

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In addition to the announcement of the signing of Little and Johnson for the Tuesday night semifinal, promoters Heard Ragas and Bonny Geigerman also said Thursday that they have signed Ralph Dupas for a June 16 date at the auditorium against a foe to be named. "It will be a welterweight foe for Ralph," said Ragas.

New Orleans

Kenny Decareaux, shifty southpaw lightweight who is undefeated in more than a year, meets Roger Ettienne, Times-Picayune newspaper carrier, in one of he trio of four-rounders. Jerry Garcia of the Dupas stable faces Tony Perez in another completed prelim.

La.

Tony Dupas begins his second day of workouts Friday with brother Ralph at the St. Mary gym. "We've just about given up on making a boxer out of Tony and he'll probably go after Fuentes swinging it out at all times." said Ralph.

Fuentes said he'll be at his natural ring poundage of 153 for Dupas. The Californian weighed 146 for Ralph last month. Ragas and Geigerman said they were able to secure only tne large side of the auditorium for Tuesday night. With but 1000 ringside and box seats and 150 general admission available.

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HITS NBA TOURNEY

Dupas' Manager Claims Fighter Being Evaded

By ED TUNSTALL

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 25 (AP)—"This old run-around is getting monotonous," complained the manager of lightweight contender Ralph Dupas today, claiming his fancy boxer is being frozen out of the lightweight and welterweight title pictures.

"This NBA (National Boxing Assn.) welterweight elimination tournament is whacky," Whitney Esneault said in an interview. "Right now, Vince Martinez is on the inside track, and Ralph beat the hack out of him last May."

"And look at the way things are shaping up in the lightweight class. Kenny Lane's making a lot of noise about wanting to meet Brown (Joe Brown of New Orleans, the lightweight champion) for the title and yet, he's ducking Ralph in a return match. We gotta meet welterweights."

Esneault's rapid flow covered a lot of territory. First, he referred to the 10-round decision Dupas posted over Martinez here last year. The second part was a reference to the 10-rounder between Dupas and Gasper Ortega, the No. 4 welterweight, at Norfolk, Va., Feb. 5.

"How can the NBA leave Dupas out of the welterweight picture?" Esneault asked. "We applied for the elimination tournament, but all we got was the old cold shoulder. It's getting so I'm frostbitten."

The welterweight elimination series has reached the showdown stage with Martinez scheduled to meet Cuba's Isaac Logart and the winner to fight Virgil Akins for the now-vacant world title.

"Things are just about as sad in the lightweight class," Esneault continued. "Lane has some Michigan congressmen beating the drum for him on a title bout. And it look's like Brown's been roped in."

Dupas easily decisioned Lane here in 1955, but lost a return 10-rounder to the Muskegon, Mich southpaw in 1956. Promoters have been trying to get the two back together for some time.

Lane is ranked No. 1 in the lightweight division and Dupas is no. 2.

TIBBS OUTWEIGHED FOR ORTIZ FIGHT

Boston Boxer at 132 Pounds to Bronx Rival's 135¾ for Garden 10-Rounder

Carlos Ortiz of the Bronx weighed 135¾ pounds for his scheduled ten-round fight with Tommy Tibbs of Boston last night. Tibbs scaled 132 for the contest slated in Madison Square Garden.

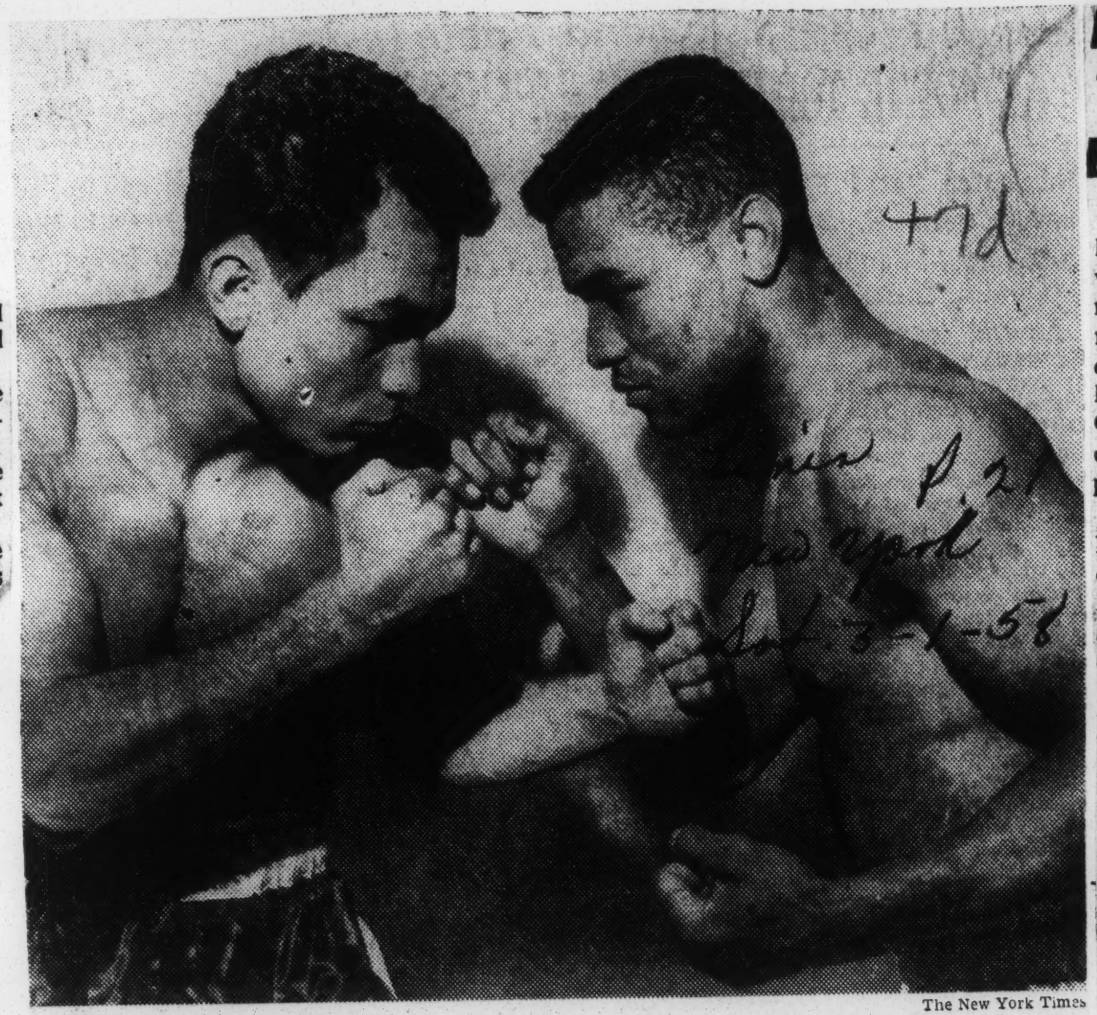
The fighters were examined at the headquarters of the New York State Athletic Commission and were found to be in excellent shape. This was the first main-bout appearance in the Garden carded for each boxer.

Ortiz, age 21, had a record from defeat. The Bronx fighter had won twenty-four of his twenty-five professional contests, with one bout ending in a draw.

Tibbs, 23, had an unusual "book" to say the least. He had appeared in eighty-nine professional clashes and had lost forty-three. He also could point to forty-three victories and three draws.

Tibbs has been boxing since he was 13, with a good many of his appearances unrecorded. As an amateur he drifted around the country, picking up the odd prize here and there and never seeming to care how the fight came out. This same unconcern was apparent earlry in his professional career, when he lost many of his fights.

Ortize has had a clearly outlined career, as an amateur and a pro. In the simon-pure ranks he gained fame by winning the National Amateur Athletic Union lightweight championship.



The New York Times

TAKING THE MEASURE: Carlos Ortiz, left, and Tommy Tibbs square off at weigh-in here. Lightweights were to face each other last night in ten-round bout at Garden.

Moves Up To Top Spot In Boxing World

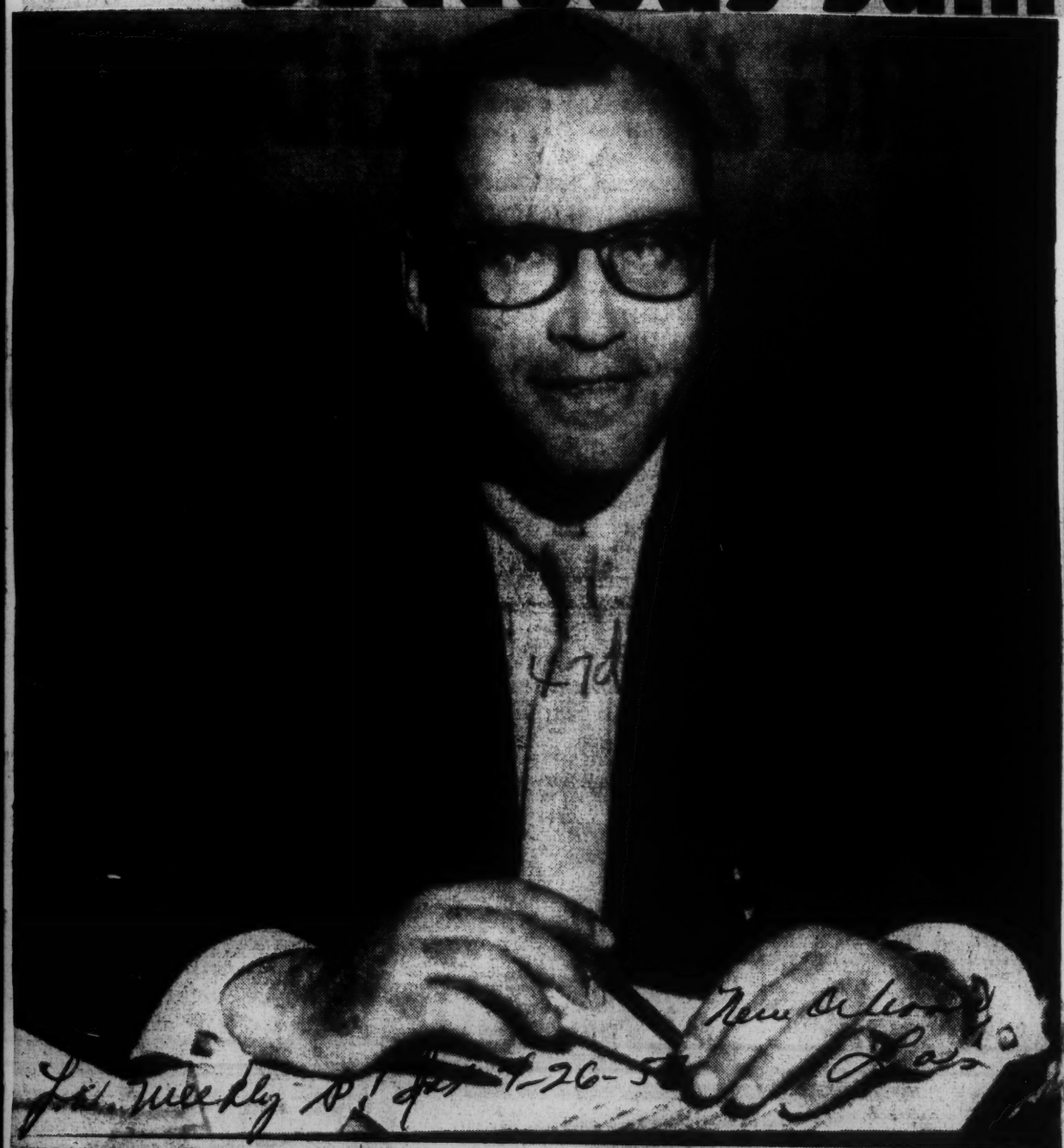
Chicago - (ANP) - Boxing history was made last Friday when James Duggan Norris, multimillionaire boxing promoter bowed out as president of the powerful International Boxing Club, and Truman Kella Gibson, Chicago attorney, succeeded him as head of the promotional firm.

Norris, to whom boxing had been merely a sideline, resigned as president of the IBC on New York and Illinois on the advice of his physicians to reduce his schedule of activities. In addition to heading the IBC, the most powerful promotion organization in the history of boxing, Norris owns a stable of thoroughbred race horses, a hockey club, the Chicago Black Hawks, several of the largest sports arenas through the nation, and belongs to one of the biggest houses on the New York Stock Exchange. The family also owns considerable real estate interest and a fleet of freighters on the Great Lakes.

Gibson, Norris' successor and business associate for several years, is recognized as the "keenest mind ever to enter the boxing business." Fight managers, matchmakers, newsmen and others consider him the "brains of the IBC." Managers and fighters both like his direct approach (Gibson never failed to congratulate the principals after a bout), while business people praise his efficiency and intelligence.

For years his heir apparent, Gibson had been vice president of the IBC at the time of Norris' resignation. In fact, it was Gibson who mapped the plan which

Gibson IBC Boxing Czar, Succeeds James Norris



GIBSON SUCCEEDS NORRIS - Historians added another chapter in the progress of Negroes, when the master strategist, Truman Gibson, Jr., a Chicago lawyer was named the president of the International Boxing Club. Truman replaced multimillionaire boxing promoter Jim Norris as head of the IBC, the most powerful promotional organization in the history of boxing. The controversial Norris resigned because of poor health. Today, the 46 year old Gibson ranks as the most powerful figure in boxing.

in 1949 resulted in the forming of the IBC. At the time Joe Louis was heavyweight champion of the world, but it was obvious that age would soon force him into retirement. Gibson worked out a plan whereby Joe could retire undefeated and take a position with IBC, which was to promote as its first venture, a match between Ezzard Charles and Jersey Joe Walcott for Louis' vacant world title.

All of the principals were later to profit in some way from the venture. Norris, who naturally supplied the money, became IBC president, and Gibson, who did the organizing and planning, became executive secretary. Louis became an IBC director with an annual salary around $10,000. Charles decisioned Walcott and became the new heavyweight champion, but Walcott later stopped Charles in a bout promoted by the IBC to become champion.

GIBSON A STRATEGIST

The IBC under Norris and Gibson, became the richest and most feared organization in boxing. Since its formation, all important fights in the country have been staged under IBC tutelage and it has treated millions of television viewers to weekly boxing shows. Fear that the organization was becoming two powerful resulted in a Federal suit accusing the IBC of monopoly in boxing. Later, Federal Judge Sylvester Ryan handed down a ruling ordering Norris and Wirtz, the other part of the triumvirate, to sell their Madison Square Garden stock and dis-solve the IBC. The case was appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court.

The 46-year-old Gibson has reportedly been setting the policy for the IBC since its inception. For example, when Cus D'Amato, manager of heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson, rebelled and elected to boycott the IBC, Gibson is believed to have advised that the organization simply ignore him. As a result, D'Amato's so-called protest received only token publicity. D'Amato reportedly borrowed money from Norris prior to Patterson's bout with Archie Moore, but Gibson and his associates have never exploited the issue.

In succeeding to the top echelon of the IBC, Gibson not only became the most powerful man in boxing, but the first of his race to wield such power. No one, however, is making a point of this. The boxing world sees him only as an intelligent, energetic and congenial leader, on whose shoulders may rest the future destiny of boxing.

Gibson, former Civilian Aide to the Secretary of War, is a graduate of the University of Chicago, from which he received a Law degree. His father is Chairman of the Board of Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company.

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Negro GG Tourney Slated For Feb. 17-18 At Arena

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Montgomery

The Negro Alabama State Golden Gloves Tournament will be held at the Alabama State College Arena on Feb. 17 and 18. The tourney is sponsored by the Montgomery Boxing Assn.

Several state champions are expected to return to defend their titles. In addition to the local fighters - Kid Franklin team, YMCA and Novelty team—strong squads from Jackson, Tennessee, and Mobile, will take part in the meet.

The Jackson team will be composed of YMCA boxers, along with several other Jackson fighters.

All boys interested in entering the tournament can do so by contacting Kid Franklin at Harvey's Barber Shop at 216 Monroe St. Boxers must be at least 16 years old and have the consent of their parents.

Tickets for the tournament will be $1.00 for one night or $1.50 for both nights for adults and fifty cents per night for students with identification. There will be a section reserved for white fans.

Tickets can be purchased at Harvey's Barber Shop, YMCA, WRMA, Dean Drug Store and Arrinton's Barber Shop.

Local boxers in the tournament are:

KID FRANKLIN TEAM

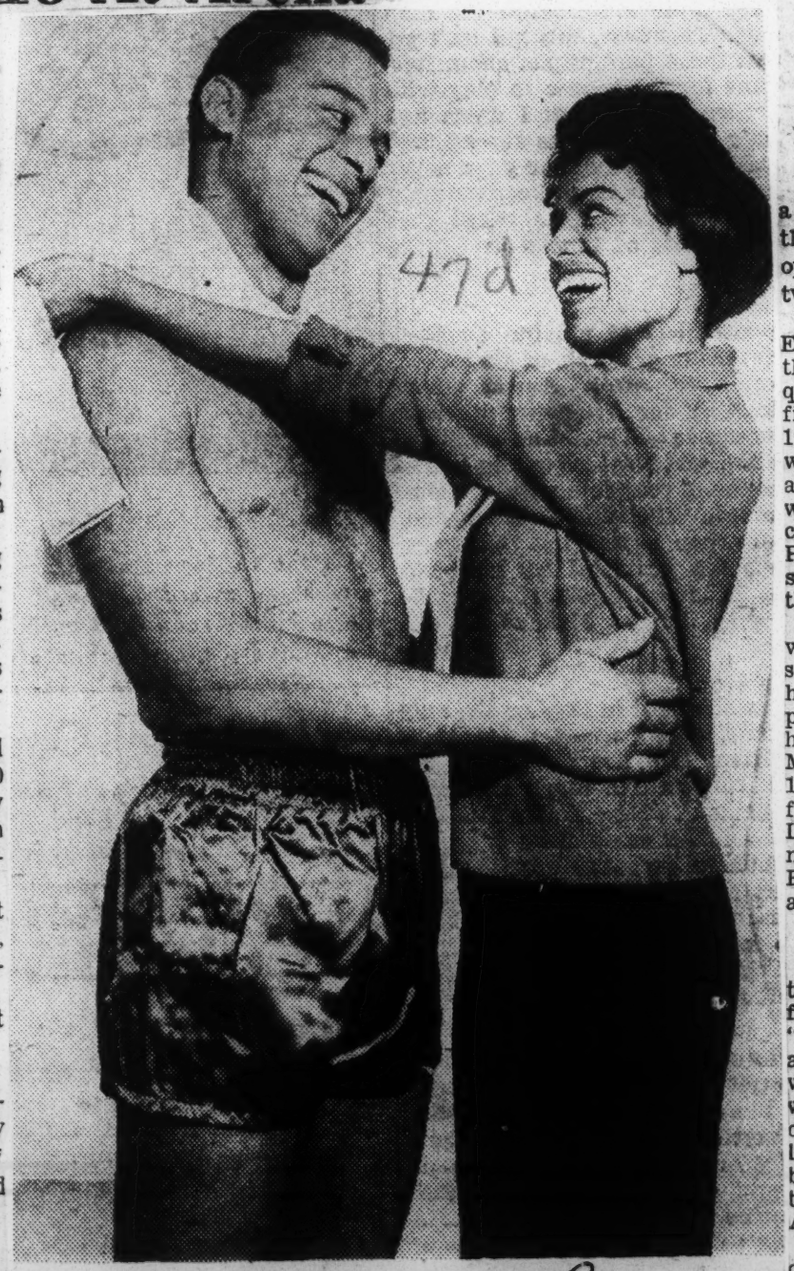
Herman Jones, Robert Williams, Noah Louis, Humphrey Caswell, James Smith, Rumus Zellars, Willie Murry, Bernard Goss.

YMCA TEAM

Andrew Allen, Tommie Martin, William Simpson, Arthur Smith, Joe Stewart, Little Joe Louis, James Hodrick, Freeman Thomas.

NOVELTY TEAM

Little Champ, Charlie Lee, Sander Tylor, Bobbie Hudson, Richard Colley, D. T. Edward, Charles Collins, John Henderson, Al Grant, Willie Roper, James Smith, David Hooks.



Treat for Big Street—Handsome Lonnie Sattin and beautiful Barbara McNair are still among the strong and talented points of "The Body Beautiful," currently on Broadway at the theatre of the same name. Despite mixed reviews, the latest two-act comedy is holding its own at the box office. So far the public has proven that its love is the important factor in the world of the theatre.

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Tibbs Works and Plays on Canvas

Times p 31

Boston Lightweight to Use Gloves on Ortiz Friday

New York Times

By WILLIAM R. CONKLIN

Special to The New York Times.

BOSTON, Feb. 25 — How can a lightweight who has lost forty-three fights expect to defeat an opponent who is unbeaten in twenty-five starts?

Young Tommy Tibbs, New England's lightweight champion, thinks he has the answer to that question. Now 23, he has been fighting professionally since 1950. In eighty-nine bouts he has won forty-three, lost forty-three and fought three draws. He has won his last six in a row, including a decision over Willie Pep in Boston on Jan. 14. One small-town victory is unlisted in the record books.

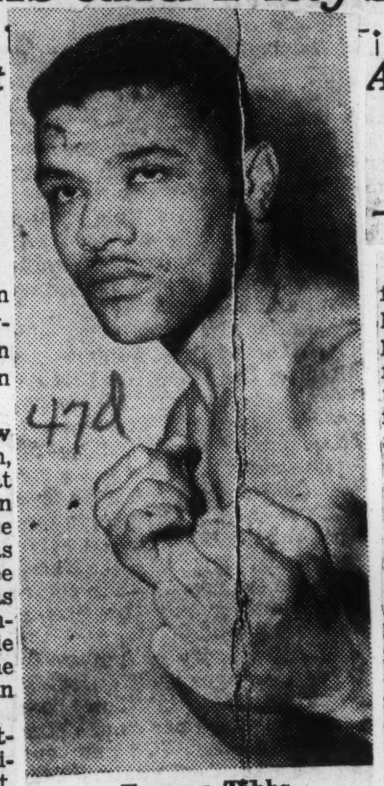
Carlos Ortiz, the Bronx lightweight who faces Tibbs in Madison Square Garden Friday night, has lost none of his twenty-five pro bouts. The blond, curly-haired 21-year-old was born in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, on Sept. 19, 1936. On March 2, 1957, he fought a non-decision bout with Lou Filippo in Hollywood. A month later he knocked out Filippo in the seventh round of a Hollywood return bout.

Tibba Is Confident

"I'm sure I can beat Ortiz, though I've never seen him fight," the Boston fighter said. "I know the forty-three I lost are on my record. But last year was the best year I ever had, with eight wins, two losses and one draw. I won the New England lightweight championship by decisioning Gene Butler in twelve rounds at Boston last April."

Tommy's victory string includes decisions over Orlando Echevarria in Caracas, Frankie Ippolito, Harry Bell and Lulu Perez as well as his triumph over Pep. In the Bell fight last November in the Garden, Tommy won the enthusiastic support of many New York fans. In nonstop training, he has boxed sixty rounds, chiefly against Walter Byars, a good New England welterweight.

Tibbs has one strong hobby. He likes to paint religious pictures. He began with department store outline paintings on which a series of numbers showed the artist the colors for various sections of the painting. Tommy, a Seventh Day Adventist by religion, has progressed to the free-swinging style of painting. His better-than-average painting shows continuing improvement.



Tommy Tibbs

An older brother, Freddie, a retired welterweight, first encouraged him to box. Another influence in his early years was his uncle, Alabama Kid, a good middleweight of yesteryear who was reputed to be one of the toughest customers of his time. Tommy was born in Columbus, Ohio, on July 25, 1934 and went through high school there. He and his wife, the former Janette Anderson, have three small children. Stephanie, the oldest, is 3; Tommy Jr. is fifteen months, and Leroy, the youngest, was born three months ago.

Manager's Work Shared

The boxer is managed by Boston's Charley Goldman when he fights in New England and by Artie Curley for New York engagements. He is a member of the National Guard in Beantown. As it happens, Ortiz is a sergeant in the 165th Infantry, New York National Guard, and wears his regiment's colors on his ring robe.

After Garden Bout He'll Go Back to Brush and Oils

Tommy acquired the Ohio featherweight championship in his early years, but couldn't hold his weight inside the feather limit. The answer to that lies in his description of his favorite food—"steak, and more steak." An aggressive slugger, his best punch is his left hook.

In Ortiz, Tibbs will be meeting a cagy boxer-puncher who moves well. Carlos is a graduate of New York's Machine and Metal Trades High School. His big ambition is to win the lightweight title, with enough accompanying dinero to set him up in his own metal shop.

A warehouseman by trade (Local 1237, A. F. of L.), Carlos captured the A. A. U. 135-pound championship four years ago. He has been boxing professionally only three years and is managed by Ed Ferguson. Ortiz is a proficient mambo dancer, an attribute that has disconcerted a number of his ring opponents.

Ortiz Met Prince

One of the high points in his life was that he met Prince Philip, now Duke of Edinburgh, in London. The experience became more enjoyable when Carlos, boxing for the Boys Club of New York, defeated his British opponent in a third-round decision at London's Empress Hall in 1953. He came to New York when he was 9, in 1946, and went to P. S. 40 on the East Side. Last June he married Norma Tull, his childhood sweetheart. They live in the Bronx and have no children.

"Ortiz, I'm sure, will take some beating, but I think I can lick him," Tibbs says. "I know one thing—I'll be going all out to defeat him."

Murray Goodman, publicist for the International Boxing Club, regards Tibbs as an up-and-coming youngster.

"For a main-event fighter to come in with forty-three defeats behind him sets some kind of a record in itself," Goodman says. "But Tibbs has been going very well lately, and he's not to be brushed off lightly."

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END OF THE LINE—Mexico's Ricardo Moreno reels toward the canvas after absorbing three smashing rights from world featherweight champion Hogan Bassey that ended their title fight in the third round here in Los Angeles. Referee Tommy Hart is at right.

Dupas Ruled Negro, Can't Fight Fuentes

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—The attorney general's office advised the state boxing commission Tuesday that a bout between Ralph Dupas of New Orleans and Ramon Fuentes of Los Angeles would violate the State's segregation laws.

An opinion written by asst. atty. gen. John Jackson said a check of birth registrations showed that Dupas is registered as a Negro.

Louisiana law prohibits athletic events between whites and Negroes.

Dupas, a leading contended for the lightweight championship, and Fuentes, a white welterweight, were scheduled to meet in a 10-round bout here April 7.

Dupas also is signed for a title bout with lightweight champion Joe Brown in Houston, Texas, May

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Jackson's letter to the commission said:

"I have requested and obtained from the state registrar of public heath statistics in behalf of the commission certification . . . that the public records of the State of Louisiana reflect Ralph Dupas to be of the colored race.

"In view of the above and previous opinions issued to you by this office, a boxing contest between Dupas and a member of the white race would be in violation of the laws of the State of Louisiana."

Wed 4-2-58

Appeals judge Richard McBride yesterday reversed a lower court ruling which had ordered the city of New Orleans to issue Dupas a birth certificate showing him to be white.

Raleigh, N.C.

McBride said Dupas failed to prove he was born in New Orleans and thus left the court without jurisdiction.

In the lower court, those opposing Dupas bid for a birth certificate showing him white, contended he was in reality Ralph Duplessis, a Negro born in Plaquemines Parish (County).

Hogan Bassey Gets $70,000 For Title Bout

LOS ANGELES, — (INS) — Featherweight boxing king Hogan (Kid) Bassey picked up a paycheck of $70,000 Thursday, and his defeated Mexican challenger Ricardo Moreno accepted a draft for $38,000 -- their shares of the second largest gross gate in California boxing history.

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The checks were presented to the battlers in a ceremony at Olympic Auditorium in Los Angeles.

Fri 4-4-58

The gross gate for Tuesday night's title fight at Wrigley Field was announced by promoters Cal and Aleen Eaton as $215,047.

This figure is topped in California boxing history only by the 233,331 drawn by Sugar Ray Robinson and Bobo Olson on May 18, 1956, at Wrigley Field.

Atlanta, Ga

Paid attendance for the scheduled 15-rounder, in which Bassey kayoed Moreno in the third was 19,686.

The partisan crowd, perhaps 95 per cent Latin-American, saw "little bird" Moreno get counted out flat on his back at 2:58 of the third.

In addition to their guaranteed shares of the gate receipts, each fighter got $10,000 for traveling and training camp expenses.

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The lightweight champion of the world, Joe Brown, will top an international fight show opening Havana's new sports palace, a magnificent domed structure of white seating 15,000 customers with an arena big enough for bull fights, hockey or any circus.

Brown fights Orlando Echevarria, Cuba's southpaw champion, in the International Boxing Club's regular Wednesday night television series, but this is the first to be telecast from Cuba to the U. S.

Names In News—

Boxer Brown Happy To Be Out Of Cuba

FROM PRESS REPORTS

Lightweight Champion JOE BROWN and his wife returned by plane to their New Orleans home yesterday after his first-round knockout in Havana of ORLANDO ECHEVARRIA . . . The champ was in a happy mood, glad to get away from the riotous Cuban capital, where he had been under heavy police guard ever since Cuban rebels kidnaped JUAN MANUEL FANGIO, Argentina's champion auto racer. . . . Brown may risk his title againstRALPH DUPAS of New Orleans at Houston, Tex. in April.

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BILLY BRUTON is flying to Oklahoma City for another knee examination by a bone surgeon. . . . Bruton has working out on special exercises at the Bradenton, Fla. camp of the Milwaukee Braves. He has been out of action since mid-Summer of last year. . . . WALLACE (BUD) SMITH has reached Milan, Italy, where he will fight European Lightweight King DUILIO LOI Saturday. . . . Smith was accompanied by JAY ANDERSON, Philadelphia middleweight, who meets Italy's ITALO SCORTICHINI is another 10-rounder on the same program.

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Jockeys BILL HARTACK and MANUEL YCAZA have been idled by dizzy spells but both are scheduled to be ready to ride two top threats at Hialeah Park, Miami, Saturday in the $100,000 added Flamingo Stakes. . . . Hartack will be on Calumet Farms favored Tim Tam. . . Ycaza will be the jockey for Mrs. Elizabeth Graham's Jewels Reward.

JOE BROWN

FIGHT AGAINST WEST MARCH 24

Hood, Smith to Train With Eastern Glovers

By DICK O'BRIEN
Star Staff Writer

Backed up by two Washington representatives, Heavyweight Charley Hood and Featherweight Norman Smith, the Eastern Golden Glovers report to their Bear Mountain, N. Y., training camp tomorrow to begin preparations for their annual meeting with the Western titleholders at Madison Square Garden Monday night, March 24.

Smith and Hood distinguished themselves by winning titles in their respective divisions in the recent Eastern Tournament of Champions, which makes them automatically eligible to compete against the West in the contests for National Golden Gloves titles.

Smith will join his Eastern mates in New York tomorrow for the journey to Bear Mountain, but because of classwork at Howard University, where he is a sophomore seeking a BS degree, Hood will be unable to join the squad until later in the week. Meanwhile, Charley will keep in shape at his training quarters here.

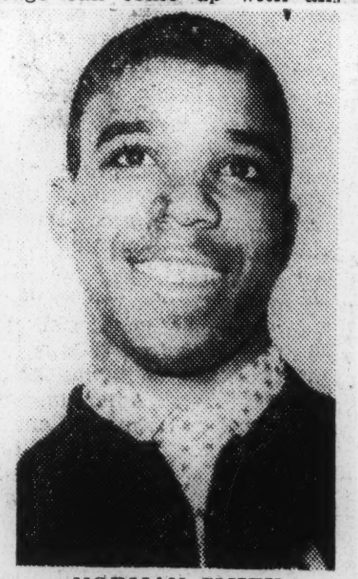
Mike Loucas, the Maryland student who also was invited to compete for the East, was unable to accept. Mike, a bantamweight, felt he could not afford to lose the time from his classroom duties.

The Eastern squad will be under the direction of four coaches at Bear Mountain, the picturesque training resort overlooking the Hudson River. They are Vic DiFilippo, Jimmy O'Donnell, Ben Wilson and Charley Baserta.

The Bear Mountain training routine will be no novelty to Smith, who was with the Eastern team last year. Smith, the only Washington Glover ever to win an Eastern title two years running, lost in the 1957 finals in Chicago.

Coach DiFilippo was confident over the chances of the two Washington fighters yesterday as he prepared to take his charges to camp.

"I have every confidence the two Washington boys will win," DiFilippo said. They showed us enough in the Eastern tournament to warrant optimism over their chances. Smith is now a full-blown fighter as far as the amateur ranks are concerned and we don't think Chicago can come up with anybody strong enough to beat him."



NORMAN SMITH
Off to Gloves Wars

Smith's Western opponent probably won't be selected until the day of the inter-city show. The Western coaches definitely will be cagey about their plans as far as Norman is concerned.

The thing that makes Smith doubly dangerous is the fact that he is a converted southpaw and hits just as hard with his left as he does with his right. Whenever an opponent gets too tough for him to handle, he will switch from his orthodox stance to his southpaw style. That usually means curtains for Norman's opponent, who become somewhat confused by it all.

Unlike Smith, Hood knows now that he will be facing the converted wrestler, big Dan Hodge of Wichita, in the inter-city finals. Hodge, a member of the 1956 Olympic wrestling team, turned to boxing at the behest of Art Freeman, a Wichita oil operator who has a professional trainer schooling Dan. Freeman is under the impression that Hodge has possibilities of becoming the heavyweight champion of the world.

Hood, who has proven himself a top flight amateur, probably will give Hodge his first real test despite the fact that the Westerner has won 15 straight without a defeat in the simon-pure ranks.

At Capitol Arena

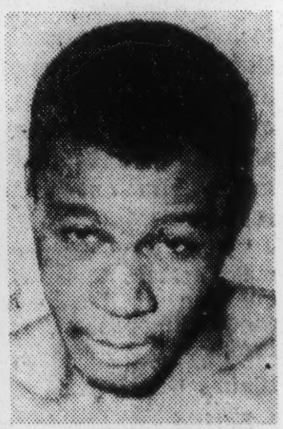
Willie Vaughn Fights Beecham Tonight

By Dave Brady
Staff Reporter

Middleweights Willie Vaughn of Los Angeles and Jimmy Beecham of Miami fight for the third time in six weeks tonight in a 10-round bout at the Capitol Arena.

The nationally-televised bout will be carried by WMAL-TV (channel 7) at 10 o'clock.

Willie Vaughan



Jimmy Beechan

Vaughn, ranked No. 8 contender by Ring Magazine, decisioned Beecham on Feb. 4 at Miami Beach. On March 4, Beecham outpointed Vaughn in the same ring.

Vaughn, 25, has had more than twice as many bouts as Beecham. In his seven-year career he has won 35, eight by knockouts, has lost 18 and drew five times. He also figured in a no-decision contest. He boasts a victory over Ralph (Tiger) Jones.

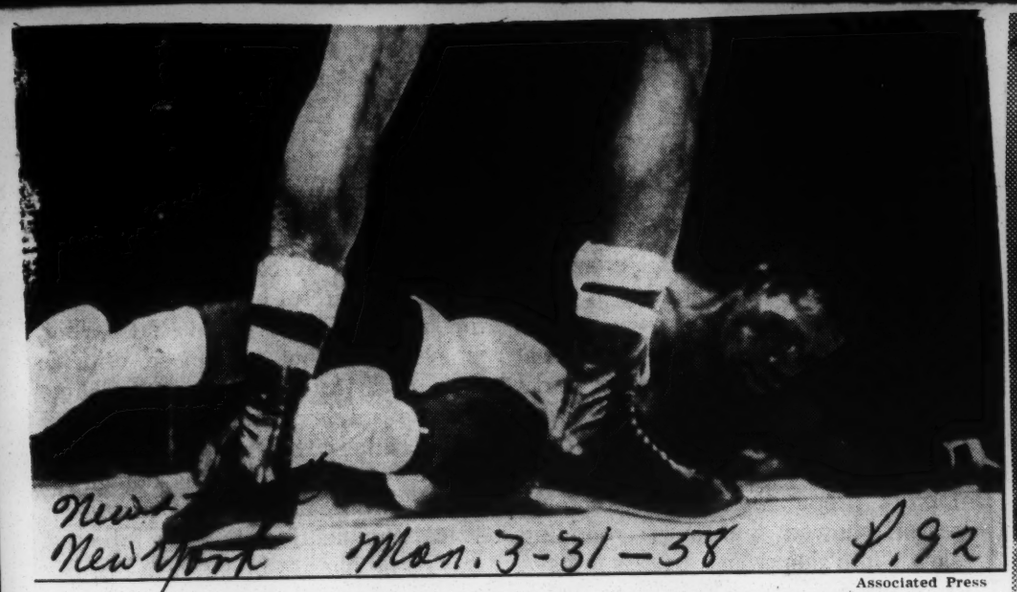
At 5 feet 11 inches, Vaughn will have a three-inch advantage over Beecham. Vaughn probably will outweigh Jimmy by about three or four pounds.

Beecham, 23, has won 22 bouts and lost six in five years. Seven of his victories were by knockouts. He is unranked.

His handlers say Beecham is a frequent visitor to the Miami library where he reads books on psychology. His favorite author is Sigmund Freud.

Beecham has split in two bouts with Holly Mims of this city.

Preliminary bouts pair featherweights Milton Ferguson, Washington, and Steve Haywood, Baltimore; lightweights Tommy Jackson and Hurricane Jackson, both of Washington; welterweights Jimmy Biggs, Washington, and Tee Tee Morgan, New York; middleweights Kid Moon of this city and Lou Wardell, Baltimore, and light heavyweights Ernie Knox, Baltimore, and Curtis Wade, Fort Holabird, Md. The first bout will be at 8:45.



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Logart down: The telephones at the Garden were tapped

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Fixed Fights?

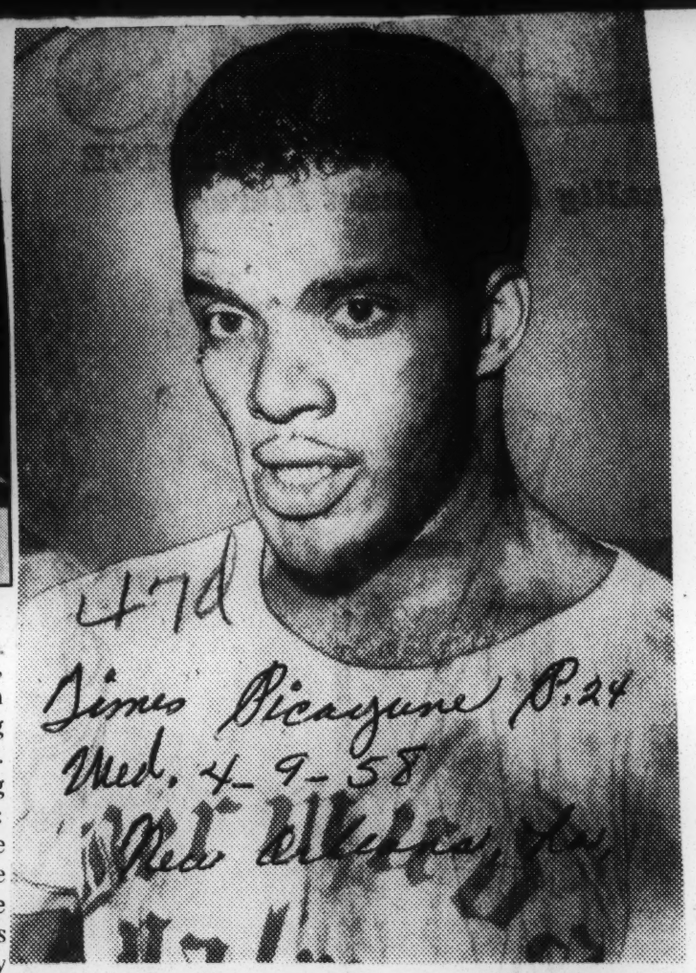
After the regular Friday night fight at Madison Square Garden last week, Dan Parker, The New York Mirror's sports editor and longtime critic of professional boxing, raised one of his typical impertinent questions. "The number of fights that short-enders have been winning is all out of proportion," Parker said. "It makes you wonder." At the same time the boxing game suddenly became aware that the District Attorney's office was also wondering.

Before the main bout, the word was that lobby telephones were being tapped. Then, as welterweight Virgil Akins worked toward his sixth-round knockout over the favored Isaac Logart, representatives of New York District Attorney Frank Hogan began handing out subpoenas.*

"We have been investigating boxing in New York County for more than two months," a spokesman for Hogan explained the next day. "We've handed out more than a dozen subpoenas. What are we looking for? Fixed fights."

All the subpoenas are returnable before a New York grand jury on April 7; until then Hogan was withholding public comment. "We handed the subpoenas out last night because a lot of out-of-towners were available at the Garden," said a spokesman. "We're looking into several New York fights where the odds shifted and underdogs won. We're not pointing specifically at the Akins fight." (Betting odds gave no hint that this fight was rigged. Loser Logart opened as a 7-5 favorite and closed at 9-5.)

But if Hogan's office was reserved, Mirror editor Parker, who has often been recommended for the post of boxing commissioner, didn't mind naming names. As the most diligent monitor of boxing shenanigans, Parker told NEWSWEEK: "They first ought to subpoena Frankie Carbo. Then they can find out the tie between Carbo [an ex-convict] and the International Boxing Club and perhaps just what the underworld has to say about who wins fights around New York."



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—Associated Press WIREPHOTO

EDDIE READY—Eddie Machen, California's rugged heavyweight, was declared fit and ready for his Wednesday night engagement with Zora Folley in San Francisco's Cow Palace.

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HOGAN (KID) BASSEY

Queen Honors Negro And Knights H-Scientist

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London, Jan. 1 (Wednesday) (UP)—Queen Elizabeth II decorated a Negro boxing champion Wednesday and knighted the scientist who fired Britain's first H-Bomb, in her annual New Year's honors list.

Hogan "Kid" Bassey, 25-year-old world featherweight champion, was made a member of the Order of the British Empire. He is a Nigerian, who came to England six years ago.

The queen bestowed knighthood on William R. J. Cook, the scientist who commanded forward operations in Britain's Christmas Island H-bomb tests last summer. Cook, 52, is deputy director of the Atomic Energy Authority's atomic-weapons-research establishment.

Golfer Named to Order

Another sports figure, Dai Rees, received the rank of officer of the Order of the British Empire. Rees was captain of the British Ryder Cup team that took the golf trophy from the United States for the first time in 24 years.

Otherwise it was a largely routine list of honors despite recent discreet criticism in the British press that royal accolades had become overly dull.

In all, 708 persons prominent in public affairs, business, the arts, science, education, and sports shared in the principal honors. They included 111 women.

Only two new peers were created, both in the lowest rank, baron.

Rose Macaulay Honored

The highest feminine honor, dame of the British Empire, was granted to novelist Rose Macaulay. This is the female equivalent of knighthood. Sculptors Barbara Hepworth and Ballerina Alicia Markova were made commanders of the order of the British Empire.

One of the barons created in Wednesday's list was Field Marshal Sir John Harding, who recently retired as Governor of Cyprus.

The second was Sir Norman Birkett, one of Britain's outstand- criminal lawyers. Both get seats int he House of Lords.

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THAT'S MY POPS — The young son of featherweight king Hogan (Kid) Bassey looks proud as the camera focusses on him and his dad for a Father's Day picture. Photo was made in the Princes' Park home of the Nigerian boxer in Liverpool, England.

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Family Man—Hogan (Kid) Bassey, featherweight champion of the world, walks his children, Hogan Jr., age 2, and Richard, five weeks, near his Liverpool (England) home. Hogan was the recipient of the MBE at an investiture at Buckingham Palace for his services to sports in the Eastern Region of Nigeria.

$10,000 For Bassey In Sept. 20 Pep Battle

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BOSTON—(UPI—World featherweight champion, Hogan (Kid) Bassey of Nigeria will receive $10,000 or 30 per cent of the gate for a non-title bout at Boston Garden with former champion Willie Pep on Sept. 20, Boston fight promoter Sam Silverman said.

Bassey, who will train at the Old Colonial Inn, Lunenfield country club, also receives four round-trip tickets from Livepool, Eng., as part f the purse. He will be accompanied by his wife and his manager, George Biddles and a sparring partner, Nigerian feaherweight Ola Michael.

Silverman said hat Bassey has agreed to give Pep a crack at the title if he (Pep) wins the non-title bout.

Bassey fought in Los Angeles April 10, when he knocked out Ricardo Moreno in the third round. The Los Angeles fight drew 243,000 spectators, an all-time record for which Bassey received $83,000.

As part of the agreement with the Boston fight promoter, the champion must begin training in the United States three weeks prior to the Sept. 20 fight.

Daily Times 8/16/58

EZZARD CHARLES WILL ATTEMPT RING COMEBACK

MILWAUKEE (INS) — Ezzard Charles, former heavyweight boxing champion who retired from the ring on Dec. 1, 1956, announced Wednesday that he will attempt a comeback.

In an interview with boxing editor Ray Grody of the Milwaukee Sentinel, the Cincinnati boxer said he "first got the bug to come back about six weeks ago".

Charles said he started road work, running about a mile a day. Now he says, he has increased the distance to three miles.

Charles, who said his wife complained that he was too fat (235 pounds), added that he has been working out in Gyms and believed all he needed "was just a good rest.

The ex-heavyweight champ said he would try to stage a comback weighing about 202 pounds.

Charles won the heavyweight title from Joe Walcott in 1949. He retired in 1956 after losing on a disqualification in London to Dick Richardson. Prior to that, he had beaten Harry Matthews and Pat McMurtry.

Charles said he was not returning to the ring "because of money." he said he made a good living out of boxing and invested his money in real estate.

He added that if he finds he is unable to comeback, he will hang up his gloves for good.

Ezzard Charles Says Bad Ankle Cost Him Fight

AUSTIN, Tex. (AP) — The supervisor of wrestling and boxing in Texas said Friday that Ezzard Charles' claim of a bad ankle would not be sufficient to get him reinstated to boxing.

Alton Erickson, the Texas supervisor, notified Charles Thursday of the indefinite suspension for "a poor showing" in a bout with Donnie Fleeman in Dallas Monday night. Fleeman knocked out Charles in the sixth round.

Tom Tannas, manager of Charles, said at Pittsburgh, Pa., that he was confident the suspension would be lifted on the former heavyweight champion after the situation was explained.

"It was only natural they suspended him," said Tannas. "Charles sprained his ankle while working out before the fight and could not move against Fleeman.

"I haven't heard from Tannas," Erickson said. "I don't think the explanation about the ankle is enough to lift the suspension, because a doctor examined Charles and said there was nothing wrong with his ankle."

At Cincinnati, Ohio, Charles said he regretted the move by Texas but plans to continue fighting. He said he also would ask that the suspension be removed.

"I hurt my ankle three days before the fight," Charles said. "I thought treatments would bring it around. I should have known better. I didn't tell my manager how bad it was. But, when I started fighting, I found I could not move either forward or backward and that I went off balance when I tried to throw a punch.

"I still think I can box and I would like a rematch with Fleeman. I would like to have the fight held in Cincinnati and show the people in my home town that I can still fight."

Tannas said, "actually we should have asked for a 10-day postponement but Charles wanted to go on."

He said Charles was in good physical condition except for the ankle.

Old Ezzard Is Suspended

AUSTIN, Tex., Oct. 30 (AP) — Ezzard Charles, former world's heavyweight champion was suspended from boxing for an indefinite period today.

Alton Erickson, supervisor of the state's boxing and wrestling division, notified Charles that he was being suspended for his "poor showing in your bout with Donnie Fleeman in Dallas Monday night."

The suspension followed the recommendation of Deputy State Labor Commissioner Sammy George of Dallas. George said he asked for Charles' suspension because "he withheld information from the doctor, which is detrimental to boxing, and his performance hurt the sport in Dallas."

Charles sprained his left ankle in a workout last Friday. He and his trainer, Jimmy Brown, kept the injury a secret. Charles, barely moving around the ring, was an easy target for Fleeman and lost by a knockout in the sixth round.

Charles, heavyweight champ from 1949 to 1951, was making a comeback bid. The suspension is effective in all states governed by the National Boxing Assn.

Erickson said his action against Charles was taken "not only for the best interest of boxing but also for your own health."

Ezzard Charles Decisions Harper

FAIRMONT, W.Va. —(AP)— Former heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles won a 10-round decision over backpedaling Johnny Harper of Steubenville, Ohio, before an estimated 3,100 boxing fans Thursday night.

Charles weighed 198, the 25-year-old Harper, 203. The bout launched a second comeback effort for Charles, who lists his age at 37, and who was heavyweight champion in 1949-51.

Judge J. Patrick Beacom scored the fight 90-83 for Charles under the system in which the winner of a round must receive 10 points. Judge Oley Hedrick saw it 98-83 for Charles, and Referee Johnny Folio 99-91.

There were no knockdowns although Charles scored with one of his few good shots to the head to open a cut above Harper's left eye in the third round that gave the Steubenville battler trouble the remainder of the way.

Harper managed to cut Charles slightly above the left eye in the seventh. Harper made the former champion from Cincinnati carry the fight, contenting himself with counterpunching, but Charles scored heavily to the body.

Ezzard Charles Barred In Texas

AUSTIN, Tex. — (UPI) — Texas closed its boxing doors to former champion Ezzard Charles Thursday, telling the 37-year-old fighter the action was taken "not only for the best interest of boxing but also for your own health."

Charles, once a boxer of great skill, took a painful beating Monday night in losing by a knockout to nationally unknown Donnie Fleeman, the Texas lightheavyweight champion.

Charles' indefinite suspension was announced by Alton Erickson, supervisor of boxing anw wrestling for the Texas Bureau of Labor Statistics. Erickson made his announcement in a letter to Charles.

Erickson's office said it was assumed that all states that are members of the National Boxing Association would abide by the Texas suspension

Ex-Champ Gets Nod Over Harper

FAIRMONT, W. Va. — (UPI)— Former heavyweight champion Ezzard Charles was one step further along his "serious" comeback trail after decisioning Johnny Harper of Steubenville, Ohio, in a slow moving bout Thursday night.

Charles, who had trimmed down from a pudgy 234 last January, to 198 at weigh-in time, was given a unanimous decision in the 10-round bout at East-West Stadium.

The former champion did most of the leading throughout the bout, scoring well to the body. He opened a deep cut over Harper's left eye in a third round flurry and the wound bled freely throughout the remainder of the fight. At the end of almost every succeeding round, Dr. J. T. Mallamo, the ring physician, allowed the fight to continue only after examining the cut.

Charles, who lost the heavyweight championship to Jersey Joe Walcott in 1951, made his last major comeback effort in 1954. The trail hit a dead-end when heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano knocked him out twice in two bouts. Charles lists his age at 37.

EX-AMATEUR STAR

Harper, 25, a former U.S. Amateur heavyweight champion, weighing 203, concentrated on counterpunching in the fight. He opened a small gash over his opponent's eye in the seventh round, but it caused Charles little trouble.

A crowd estimated at 3,100 saw the contest which was scored on a point-point "must" system. Referee Johnny Folio scored 99-91 for Charles Judge Pat Beacom gave Ezzard the nod by 90-83 and Judge Oley Hedrick gave it to Charles by 98-83.

There were no knock downs. The loss was Harper's eighth in 15 bouts.

Kid Gavilan Vows To Quit

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — (INS) — Win, lose or draw, former welterweight boxing king Kid Gavilan will retire from the ring at the end of the year.

The Cuban belter made the announcement Wednesday night after losing a split 10-round decision to Ralph (Tiger) Jones in their nationally televised bout from a Miami hotel.

Gavilan's manager, Yamil Chade, said he wants his boy to retire now but Gavilan said he wanted to fight Vince Martinez — he thinks will win the elimination series for the welterweight crown.

Jones Spoils Comeback Bid By Kid Gavilan

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Feb. 20 veteran boxer from Brooklyn, sidetracked Kid Gavilan's comeback attempt with a split decision last night, and the Cuban admitted afterward "he good fighter—better than I expect."

Jones claimed Gavilan butted him over the eye in the ninth. The Kid denied this, saying "I feel right hand land real good—bang on the eye." There were no knockdowns in the 10-round bout.

Jones said he thought he won going away, until it was announced the first judge's card (Fred Aaronson) had it for Gavilan.

Tiger Surprised

"Then I was sure I was gonna lose another split decision," Tiger said.

The other judge, Carl Gardner, and Referee Billy Regan saw it for Jones as did the Associated Press, all by narrow margins. Gavilan weighed 154½ and Jones 154¾.

Gavilan said he thought he won, but had no alibi. He called the first five rounds "very close" and said he won the next four.

Jones admitted the 32-year-old Gavilan, veteran of 140 bouts and holder of the welterweight title from 1951 to 1954, "hit me with one 'bolo' that I can remember."

Some Old Flashes

The bolo punch is one of Gavilan's favorite weapons.

Gavilan showed occasional flashes of his old speed but Jones, who has had 68 fights, and will be 30 next month, took everything the Kid threw. He kept boring in, bothering Gavilan with a sharp left to the head and mixing it with a good right that frequently found its mark.

The fight, nationally-televised from the ballroom of a plush hotel where 1,258 were jammed around ringside, grossed $8,066.

Kid Gavilan Outpunches Tiger Jones

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Cuba's Kid Gavilan, showing flashes of the form which once earned him the welterweight title, outpunched the veteran Ralph (Tiger) Jones of Yonkers, N.Y., Friday night to win a split 10-round decision at the Arena.

Gavilan weighed 155, oJnes 155½.

Gavilan took another step on what he hopes is the road back to the contention by the simple expedient of landing oftener and more telling blows in the nationally televised fight.

The 32-year-old Cuban belied his age as he kept the pressure on the rugged Jones with slashing bolo punches in this third meeting of the two veteran campaigners.

Gavilian won over Tiger back in 1953 and lost to him last February at Miami, Fla.

The two judges, Jimmy Mina and Nate Lopinson scored Gavilan the winner, Nina 47-44, and Lopinson 47-43. Referee Joe Sweeney awarded Jones the decision 46-44. The Associated Press scored it for Gavilan 49-41.

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Yama Decisions Slowing Gavilan

By MEL DERRICK
Herald Sports Writer

Counter-punching Yama Bahama out-maneuvered, out-gunned, and even out-bolo-punched showy but slowing Kid Gavilan to earn a nationally-televised 10-round decision at Miami Beach auditorium Wednesday night.

A roaring crowd of 2,306 paid $6,288 to see the double lesson in mathematics. For every punch the pressing 32-year-old Gavilan threw, 24-year-old Bahama returned three.

Gavilan weighed 150¾ for the middleweight bout; Bahama, 151¾.

That was the closest former welterweight champion Gavilan came to former Bimini fishing guide Bahama in any department.

Judge Eddie Thal scored it, 100-92, for Bahama. Judge Stu Winston had the margin, 99-93, and Referee Jimmy Peerless saw it, 98-94.

On The Herald score card it was 99-92, with Gavilan winning only the sixth round as Bahama gained his 49th victory. The loss was the 30th in 142 fights for Gavilan.

Gavilan, the world's champion decision disputer, disputed only the margin in this one.

"I think it more close," he said in the dressing room.

But minutes before, Gavilan had jeered at a local television announcer who introduced him as a "great fighter of yesterday" and called Wednesday's win a "big victory for Bahama."

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Cuban newspaper men who followed Gavilan on the Channel 10 show suggested that the Cuban Hawk neared retirement with the defeat.

Un-ranked Bahama, boostin his stock considerably with th victory, surprised the Cuban by rushing him at the opening bell and landing a couple of sharp lefts to the head. He out-punched the ex-champion consistently through the early rounds, using his counter-punches to halt Gavilan flurries in all but the sixth.

In that round, Gavilan exploded into the foot-stamping entertainer of old. He unlimbered his bolo punch, rattled off two sharp rights to the head, and solved Bahama's counter-punching.

The Bahamian came back to regain control in the seventh, smashing Gavilan with a looping right to the head that staggered the Cuban Keed. Gavilan grabbed Bahama's shoulder on the way down, and it was scored as a slip.

In the eighth, Bahama scored with four smashing left hooks to the face without a return. In the tenth, he looped a bolo punch to the stomach which packed more steam than the seven Gavilan threw in the sixth.

"I fight the wrong fight in forcing everything," admitted Gavilan. "Yama, he is too good a counter-puncher tonight."

Gavilan was a 3-1 favorite in New York City. Locally, the struggle was a pick 'em until fight time, when Bahama shifted into a 7-5 favorite.

Evidently, the Miami Beach crowd knew more.

The preliminaries:

Four rounds, Levi Pearson, 162½, Miami, scored a fourth round TKO oer Joe Mitchell, 162, Miami.

Four Rounds, Dick Tobin, 202, Miami Beach, won a decision over Gordon Pouliot, Miami, 176½.

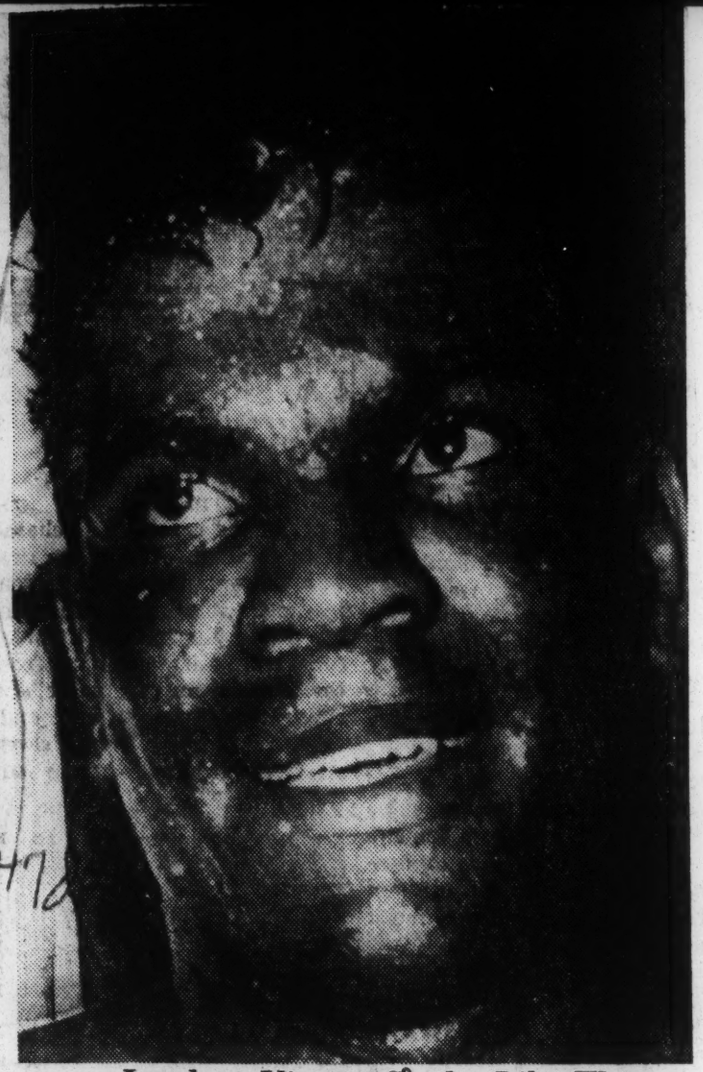
Four Rounds, Alex Frank, 140½, Miami Beach lost a decision to Duane Simpson, 141½, Opa-locka.

Six Rounds, Sol Fuentes, 158, Havana, decisioned Ray Sheppard, 152½ San Francisco

—Herald Staff Photo by Steve Wever

Bewildered Gavilan Clutches for Support

. . . Keed came up fast after 7th round slip



. . . Leads to Victory Smiles Like This

. . . sweaty Yama grins after 'big victory'

Permanent Settlement Seen

Louis Gets Tax Break: Will Pay $20,000 a Year

CHICAGO (ANP)—Former heavyweight boxing champion Joe Louis and the U. S. Government reached an agreement on payments on Louis' engulfing income tax problems, it was reported here.

According to the report, Louis will pay the Government $20,000 a year on back income taxes, totaling $1,250,000. There are also speculations that a permanent settlement is in the offing.

Joe Louis

The $20,000 Louis agreed to pay will come from his annual salary as an official of the International Boxing Club, which he helped form in 1949 after relinquishing the title. Louis also earns $4,800 a year from the Joe Louis Milk Company for public relations work, and $8,200 from a recording firm for services not identified. It is believed that the latter sum is for the use of his name by the recording company.

The three sources, therefore, brings Louis' total annual income to $33,000, but taxes on this amount is expected to leave him only $1,000 to live on. There is a possibility, though, that the Government would allow deductions to reduce his taxable income and place him in a lower bracket. In fact, his accountant, Arthur J. Wilson, said this would be the case.

Louis, one of the greatest champions the ring has ever known, earned more than $4 million during his boxing career. However, interests on back taxes for past fights have zoomed to the point where Louis could not possibly pay off the delinquency in a lifetime. A settlement for the amount seems the only solutions.

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LOUIS RETIRED from the ring in 1949 and took a position as a boxing director with the IBC, which was then being formed by millionaire-sportsman Jim Norris. The brain behind the deal, however, was reported to be Truman Gibson Jr., former civil aide to the President on minority matters.

Government agrees to Louis' $20,000-a-year back tax plan

WASHINGTON (NNAP) — An Internal Revenue source Tuesday confirmed reports that Joe Louis, former heavyweight champion of the world, has reached an agreement to pay the government $20,000 a year for the next five years.

The payments will cover income taxes due on current income, estimated at $12,300 and an additional $7,700 to be applied to taxes owed for the years 1953, 1954, 1955, and 1956.

The agreement, however, does not affect the $1,25,000 in taxes, interest and penalties Louis owes on money earned during the period he held the heavyweight boxing title after World War II.

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NOR WERE ANY arrangements made about the amount Louis owes for 1952. Louis abandoned the title in 1950. Since then he has received a salary of $15,000 to $20,000 as a director of the International Boxing Club.

The Internal Revenue Service never has filed a lien on any property belonging to Louis.

In Chicago, Truman Gibson Jr., secretary of the IBC, which is now paying Louis $20,000 a year as a director, said the Chicago office of the Internal Revenue Service had instructed him to discontinue withholding tax on that amount.

Instead, Gibson was advised, the whole amount should be turned over in keeping with the agreement with Louis and his tax accountant, Arthur J. Wilson. Gibson said the IBC would obey instructions.

Gibson added that the agreement depends, in effect on the Supreme Court decision on the IBC's appeal from a lower court conviction for allegedly operating a monopoly in restraint of trade.

If the Supreme Court should rule against the IBC, Gibson said, that organization might be forced to go out of business. If that happens, Joe will lose his job and $20,000 pay.

The agreement, however, carries a specific provision that if Louis' income is cut in any way, a new agreement must be worked out, so far as his back income taxes are concerned.

Louis, who earned more than $4,000,000 during his 17 years as a professional fighter, 12 of them as heavyweight champion, now has an income estimated at $33,000 a year. This includes $4,800 from the Joe Louis Milk Co., of which he is public relations director and $8,200 from a music recording firm.

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APPARENTLY, LOUIS will have to live on approximately $750 a month in order to meet his payments to the Internal Revenue Service.

Negotiations over some method of paying the $1,250,000 in taxes and interest in back taxes which piled up from 1946 through 1952 still are under way. It is reported that a new meeting to consider this will be held in Chicago at an early date.

The Internal Revenue Service has sent an agent with authority to negotiate a tentative agreement. Louis and Wilson are to meet with him along with a representative of the IBC.

Wilson, declaring that the Government had not agreed to amount of taxes Louis owed, said in Chicago:

"The big advantage is that the Government knows what he is doing with his money. He is keeping up his current taxes and a certain amount of his income is being applied to his back taxes.

"I want to make it clear that the Government has not entered into any agreement to accept less than the amount Louis owes. We have some hope that if he follows the plan, the Government in a few years may call matters even.

"This is contingent on two things: (1) ability to pay and (2) good faith."

Joe's children lose $100 G trust fund bid

CHICAGO — The United States Court of Appeals on Friday upheld a tax court ruling permitting the seizure of a $64,000 trust fund set up by Joe Louis for his two children.

The fund is to be applied to the back taxes — estimated at more than a million dollars—owed by the former world heavyweight champion.

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LOUIS ESTABLISHED the trusts in 1947 and 1949. Named as beneficiaries at the time were Jacqueline, 14, and Joe Jr., 10 years old, both children by Louis' first wife, Marva Trotter Spaulding.

In its ruling, the tax court had held that the fighter was the actual donor of the funds and seizure by the government was its legal right.

The appelate court's Friday decision killed off the challenge by Mrs. Spaulding and the First National Bank of Chicago, both of whom contended Joe held no title to the money. The bank has the fund in trust.

Sugar Ray Given 'Fabulous' Offer

$150,000 Price Put On Title Bout With Downes

LONDON, Dec. 10. —(AP)— Middleweight champion Sugar Ray Robinson Wednesday was cabled a "fabulous" offer to defend his title against Britain's Terry Downes in London next summer.

The offer, believed to be around $150,000 was tendered by British fight promoter Jack Solomons. Solomons promoted Tuesday night's bout in which Spider Webb of Chicago stopped Downes in eight rounds.

In New York, George Gainford, Robinson's representative, said, "If Sugar fights next year, he might be receptive to such an offer. We will consider all offers and $150,000 is in the right neighborhood."

Robinson has been idle since last March when he regained the crown from Carmen Basilio in Chicago on a 15-round decision.

Solomons seemed to be paying little attention to Downes' loss. The referee stopped the bout after eight rounds with the British champion bleeding freely from eye cuts.

"If Robinson will defend his title against Downes, then I am confident Downes will not only beat him, but stop him," he said. "Downes was ahead on points when his eye was cut in the seventh round."

Solomons said he would like to arrange the match for outdoors in June — either at Wembley or Twickenham. Both places hold about 60,000.

Webb, the third-ranked contender, has no immediate plans.

The Chicagoan's trainer, Carl Nelson, said, "we probably would have to wait a year for Robinson and we have no intention of doing that."

Louis Versus Schmeling--20 Years Ago

Appeal

Brown Bomber, Black Uhlan Crawled Into Ring As War Clouds Brewed

Memphis Press

By JACK HAND

NEW YORK, June 22.—Hate waves swept across oceans and boomed on distant shores in 1938 when a proud German and an American boy from the cotton fields of Alabama met in a prize ring. Sun. 6-26-58

Herr Hitler preached Aryan supremacy and shrieked of a master race along the Rhine as Panzer units rolled into Austria. Munich was just around the corner. America too was becoming deeply involved. P. 14

Against this background of hate and inflamed nationalism, Max Schmeling and Joe Louis clashed at Yankee Stadium just 20 years ago Monday, June 22, 1938.

Every record book of the ring records the violent end. One short line, "Louis by Knockout in 2:04 of the First," tells the capsule story. The 70,000 who watched and the millions who listened to the radio or watched the motion pictures never will forget.

Once A Sure Thing

Few boxing matches had the buildup of this fateful second meeting of the scowling Black Uhlan and the young man they called the Brown Bomber.

Two years earlier there never had been a better "sure thing" than Louis. The unbeaten Golden Glove graduate who at 22 was headed toward the world championship with 27 straight victories, when he was matched with Herr Max for the first time in 1936. Schmeling, who held the title from 1930 to 1932, was in the midst of a comeback, a suitable opponent for the Louis buildup.

Louis, the 10 to 1 favorite, quickly was disillusioned by the sturdy fists of Schmeling, the methodical, who wasn't joking when he told reporters "I zee someding" when Louis whipped Paolini Uzcudun.

Soon it was all too apparent what Schmeling "zee." It was Louis' habit of dropping his left hand after a jab, leaving himself wide open for a straight right to the jaw. Schmeling hit the target in the fourth and Louis was down. Round after round, Louis took a heavy beating until it finally ended at 2:29 of the 12th.

Two Years Later

Schmeling, who had left Germany without fanfare, flew home in triumph on the dirigible Hindenburg and was met by cheering crowds, a national hero.

That was 1936 but now it was two years later. Schmeling had been bypassed by Jimmy Braddock and Louis had won the championship while Max trained for a phantom fight. Joe had been brought along carefully after the first Schmeling disaster, and now he ruled the heavyweights.

But there was one wide chink in his armor. Schmeling paraded around Europe, shouting from the mountain tops that Louis was afraid of him. A fire burned deep inside Louis, a gnawing pain that never could be erased until Schmeling was beaten.

Mike Jacobs, then Mr. Big of boxing with his Twentieth Century Sporting Club, made the rematch after Louis had "warmed up" with a defense against Tommy Farr and two bouts with Natie Mann and Harry Thomas.

No Hard Feelings?

This was no 10 to 1 match. Max, 32, was eight years older than the new champion but they still remembered what happened the first time. At ringtime Joe was the favorite again but only at 9 to 5.

In recent years Louis has said many times that he never had any hard feelings toward Schmeling. That he never hated with the blind hate that knows no mercy.

Perhaps the years have softened the man and memories play tricks but the man who climbed through the ropes at Yankee Stadium 20 years ago Monday night was in a mood for vengeance. Hatred smouldered in his eyes but his face was a mask. His body coiled like a steel spring, released by the opening bell.

Ring historians say 41 blows flailed Schmeling's body and head before Arthur Donovan stopped it at 2:04. Maybe it was 40, 50 or even 60. Who knows? Every man who watched always will remember the flashing heavy fists of Louis. Schmeling screaming in pain while clutching the ropes. Herr Max down for three, down for two and finally down on all fours while

Champion Used Two Minutes And Four Seconds For His Vengeance

Max Machon hurled a towel into the ring. Tossing the towel on the ropes, Donovan looked toward the knockdown timekeeper whose count had reached eight before he spread his arms to signal the end.

King For Sure

In his dressing room, a blood spattered Schmeling moaned about fouls and kidney punches. When he left for Hamburg a week later he went directly to the ship from the hospital.

Louis was the king, the undisputed king. Nobody ever doubted it again. At least, nobody ever said he was afraid of Schmeling.

The last time Schmeling was heard from he was running a soft drink plant in Hamburg and operating a tobacco and mink farm near Hamburg. He is 52 now. He and his wife, Anndy Ondra, the former film star, plan to celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary in Switzerland next month.

Louis, now a balding 44, still is connected with the International Boxing Club on an annual salary. He has a business in Chicago and travels a great deal doing referee work. At last reports he had worked out some sort of a formula with the Government for settling at least part of his income tax problems.

Twenty years later even Max has one happy memory . . . that one-million-dollar gate.

RAY ROBINSON LEAVES I. B. C. IN RING DARK

Sun. 12-7-58 P. 3

BY FRANK MASTRO

On the premise that Ray Robinson may not go thru with plans to defend his world middleweight championship next March, the International Boxing club is arranging a tentative elimination tournament to find the New York sharpshooter's successor should he renounce the title and retire from the ring.

An I. B. C. spokesman said the division is "a little muddled up" as result of Robinson's inactivity.

"Ray is blocking everything," he said, "because of the uncertainty of his plans. If he doesn't decide to fight, it looks like Gene Fullmer will be sent against Carmen Basilio, with Spider Webb standing by to meet the winner for a claim to the title."

Exit Mr. Giardello

Webb upset Joey Giardello on a seventh round technical knockout in a nationally televised fight in San Francisco recently. Giardello, Rosedale, L. I., slugger, who was rated third leading challenger before his embarrassment at the hands of Webb, thus knocked himself out of contention.

"Giardello really got cold," the I. B. C. representative said.

Webb had a comparatively easy time with Giardello, once one of the most feared middleweights. The 1952 American Olympic boxer from Idaho State college is finishing preparations for a 10 round event against Terry Downs in London Dec. 9.

In a previous start in England, Webb defeated Dick Tiger, who subsequently lost his British 160 pound title to Downs, in 10 rounds on June 24. This was the Spider's 28th victory in 31 fights. The fast stepping, fast punching Chicagoan, managed by Hector Knowles and trained by Carl Nelson, followed up this achievement by stopping Franz Szuzina of Germany, losing to Fullmer, and winning the aforementioned clash with Giardello.

Getting Good Purses

Webb, 26 years old and a native of Los Angeles, was a 3 to 1 choice to beat Szuzina. He was an 8 to 5 underdog against Giardello, altho he had previously knocked out Rory Calhoun in the fourth round, also in San Francisco before 9,000 spectators. His clash with Giardello, who suffered deep facial cuts, drew 7,500. Webb collected $10,000 for his services against Calhoun and $10,500 against Giardello.

Webb, whose impressive showing against Giardello stamps him as a possible successor to Robinson, made his professional debut in July, 1953, stopping his foe in the second round. After winning five additional fights in succession, he joined the army, being discharged at Fort Lewis, Wash., March 31, 1956. On his return to action, he beat George Boddie in six rounds in Chicago Stadium. He's been going strong ever since.

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JOE LOUIS

Louis Jabs New York DA For 'Headline Hunting'

Constitution

By GREGORY FAVRE

The Brown Bomber, Joe Louis, flew into Atlanta late Saturday afternoon and took time out to throw one of his famous punches at politicians in general and New York D. A. Frank Hogan in particular.

The former heavyweight king of the world, who scales in now four pounds over his last fighting weight of 214, branded the politicos who "investigate" sports as headline-hunters.

"Whenever a politician wants to get some headlines," Louis said, "he ridicules some sport and starts an investigation."

It was natural then the conversation swing to New York where Hogan, the crime-busting boss of the law, is throwing the light of justice toward boxing.

"That's the silliest thing I've ever heard of," the handsomely dressed Louis exclaimed.

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"JUST BECAUSE the odds changed before fight time in the Virgil Akins-Isaac Logart fight, he's starting a big investigation.

"It's natural for odds to switch before a fight and it's surely nothing to get all excited about."

The 43-year-old kayo artist of yesteryear also defended his boss, Jim Norris, president of the International Boxing Club, the organization which got it's pants spanked by the Supreme Court.

"The IBC has new life now that the Supreme Court is going to restudy the case," Louis explained.

"But I think the whole thing is ridiculous. They say the IBC had a monopoly. That's crazy.

"Boxing has always had one big man, a millionaire to act as the boss. Mike Jacobs was the same as Jim Norris. After all this country isn't supposed to be like Russia. If a man invests money in a thing like Norris has in boxing then he expects to make money."

He was at ringside when Sugar Ray Robinson, a close friend of his, won back the middleweight championship from Carmen Basilio.

"He sure was tired," Louis said.

"I think Ray will fight Basilio again in June in Yankee Stadium. It will be a natural."

Louis held a copy of a national magazine which printed a story titled "The Curious Comedown of Joe Louis."

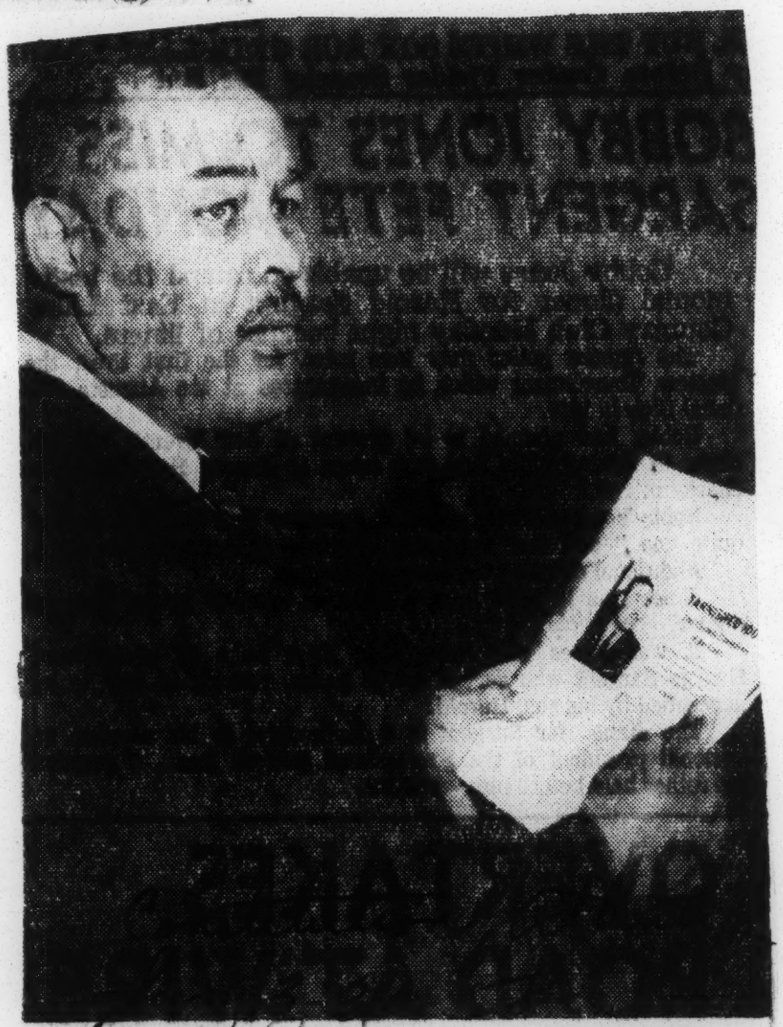
The author told how Louis has tumbled from his once untouchable pedestal.

But the big guy didn't go along with that.

As he got up to leave, he said, "I don't think I've made a mess of my life. I've lived good and I've made a lot of friends.

"The only thing different about me now and when I was champ is that I can't give away as much as I used to. But I still live like I used to and I still have a wardrobe that lets me change suits every now and then."

And he still has that modest manner that made him stand out among the champions.



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LOUIS READS STORY ABOUT HIMSELF
But He Doesn't Agree He's Made a Mess of His Life

DEFENDS NORRIS, IBC

Joe Louis Share Of Mom's Estate Goes For Taxes

Atlanta Ga

DETROIT — (INS) — Former heavyweight boxing champ Joe Louis Wednesday turned over to the U. S. his share of his mother's estate—about $611—to apply against $1,250,000 he owes in back income taxes.

Louis' mother, Mrs. Lillie Brooks, died in 1953 leaving an estate valued at approximately $5,500 to be divided among the former fighter and eight other children.

The Chicago District Division of the Internal Revenue Department filed the voluntary inheritance assignment with Detroit Probate Judge William J. Cody.

Archie Moore to box German

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (ANP) — Light - heavyweight boxing champion Archie Moore has accepted a $10,000 offer to fight Willie Besmanoff of Germany in a nationally televised Derby Eve bout here May 13.

According to King, Moore, who expects to come into the bout at about 190 pounds, was guaranteed $10,000 or 30 per cent of the gross gate, whichever is greater. King said also that he received telegrams from the managers of both fighters accepting the Derby Eve date.

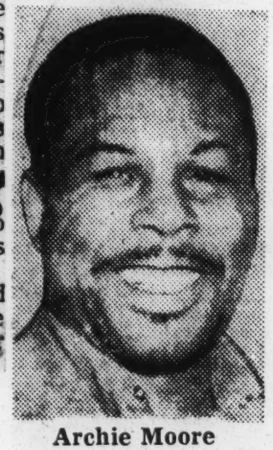
Each year for the past two seasons, a Derby Eve bout is sponsored in Louisville.

Meanwhile, King observed the guarantee made to Moore was the highest ever made for a Louisville fight.

Archie Goes for Record

Moore, Besmanoff Fight on TV Tonight

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 1 (AP)—Ancient Archie Moore, aching for another shot at the heavyweight title but preferring to defend his own light heavyweight crown against Ray Robinson, goes after his 11th straight victory here Friday night on the eve of the Kentucky Derby.



Archie Moore

The affable Archie, 41 by his own count but probably nearer 45, meets Willi Besmanoff, the German baker, in a 10-round nationally televised scrap in Louisville's spacious and beautiful Freedom Hall.

[The Fight will be seen in Washington, D. C., oin WRC-TV, Channel 4 and postime is 10 p. m.]

For the well-traveled Moore, it will be his 200th fight according to the record book. But the light heavyweight king admits there are other fights which even he can't recall.

"But I understand I can establish a record by knocking out Besmanoff," said Archie as he toured Dereytown renewing acquaintances and generally promoting "Archie Moore."

The record book shows that Moore and the late Young Stribling each knocked out 126 opponents.

"Didn't know I was that near another record," said Moore, who has won 21 of his last 22 fights, 15 of them by knockouts. "But I sure would like to hold the mark alone."

In Besmanoff, the amazing and likable Archie is meeting a stocky, fast-punching 25-ear-old who now lives in New York.

Besmanoff, who like Moore, "has tights, will travel," turned in an upset in his last outing to snap a five-fight losing streak. He toppled Pat McMurty in Seattle, Feb. 4. Listed on his 37-10-7 record are 14 knockouts.

Archie plans one more fight then Patterson

LOUISVILLE, Ky — "One more fight, and then Floyd Patterson," chuckled Archie Moore following his 10-round decision win over Willi Besmanoff here Friday night.

The light-heavyweight champion said he plans to box Charley Norkus, an unranked heavyweight, at San Francisco's Civic Auditorium on May 26, after which he wants another shot at the heavyweight crown.

"ACTUALLY," DECLARED the ageless 175-pound king, "I'm asking for Patterson now. It isn't that I want to wait for the Norkus fight; it is that I have it booked and intend to go through with it.

"I expect to train a little harder for Charley because it will be the beginning of my serious work in case the late summer brings Floyd."

MOORE SCORED via a split decision over Besmanoff in the televised event featuring the pre-Kentucky Derby program here.

Besmanoff, who beat Pat McMurtry in his last outing, took the play away from Moore in the first two rounds and was leading in the third until the final seconds when Archie let loose with a powerful right.

The blow sent Besmanoff to the ropes. Archie then caught his opponent with a combination and sent him to his knees as the bell sounded.

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THE PARTIAL knockdown seemed to take some of the steam out of Besmanoff's right but he pulled himself together in the seventh round and rocked Archie with a left and a right near the end of the session.

Moore, whose left eye was puffed midway of the fight, came on strong in the last three rounds.

Archie Moore Gets Easy Win

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (UPI)—Lightheavyweight champion Archie Moore, the forever man in the world of boxing, worked up a good sweat Monday night, but could not score his 127th knockout as he took an easy decision over Howard King.

Moore was trying to beat a record he already equalled, which was set by young Stribling between 1921 and 1933. But though he floored the 194½ pound King three times during the 10 round bout, Moore was unable to keep him on the canvas.

In three previous fights, Moore had floored the Reno, Nev., fighter a total of six times. However, he has never been able to keep King down.

Asked after the fight why he could not knock out King, Moore jokingly said, "He's one of my standard opponents and I may want to fight him in Nebraska or someplace."

More said he tried "to get him (King) in the later rounds, but he was too elusive. He's getting to be mighty foxy, that boy."

Archie went into the ring at 196½ pounds for the non-title bout.

The light heavy champion did a good deal of road work chasing King around the ring for the first six rounds. Then in the seventh Moore unbolted a hard, short right which dumped his opponent into the press section.

Undaunted, King scrambled back into the ring before the full count, only to run into another smashing right that dropped him for nine just before the bell.

Once again, in the ninth, Moore caught his younger opponent with a jolting right. That one also sent King down for a nine count. But he hung on long enough to lose by a decision.

The Old Man And The Ring

Archie Moore, the light heavyweight champion who admits to being in his early 40s and could be pushing 50, may force the International Boxing Commission to invoke a mandatory retirement age.

After being knocked senseless in the first round by a powerful young Canadian the other night, Moore pulled his middle-aged frame together and showed the impertinent pup how a master slaughters. It was over in the 11th with Yvon Durelle a battered, bleeding heap on the deck and Moore dancing around like a teen-ager.

The champ could have easily gone another 30 or 40 rounds, judging by his appearance. Between some of the rounds he even declined to take a seat, thus further unnerving Durelle who was ready for every rest, including the final one.

Whatever boxing demonstration Moore displayed is for the experts to judge, but you don't have to know a feint from a hook to understand Moore's significant contribution to the science of gerontology.

Champ Archie Moore KO's 127th Victim

By JACK CLIDDY

MONTREAL — (UPI) — Light heavyweight champion Archie Moore survived three knockdowns and floored Canadian Yvon Durelle four times Wednesday night for an 11th-round knockout in their title fight and became boxing's all-time kayo king with 127 knockouts.

Referee Jack Sharkey, former heavyweight champion, counted out the blood-smeared challenger and champion of the British Empire at 49 seconds of the 11th round as Durelle lay flat on his back.

It was one of the greatest light heavyweight fights ever staged, and Moore — though he'll be 42 or 45 years old Saturday — survived terrific punishment and dished it out in a fashion that few youngsters could have paralelled.

Moore was on the canvas three times in the first round—for two official knockdowns and one trip that Sharkey ruled a slip.

Ancient Archie was on the canvas again in the fifth for a knockdown and it seemed he was practically finished But he came storming back in the sixth and staggered Durelle twice and bloodied his nose. And in the seventh he floored the 29-year-old fisherman from New Brunswick with a right to the chin for a count of five.

In the 10th, the bell saved the challenger when Moore dropped him with a left hook that had him practically out on his knees when the bell clanged at the count of seven.

Archie finished the job in the 11th with a left hook that dropped the brawny, brown-haired slugger from Baie Ste. Anne for a count of nine. Then Archie stalked him quickly and dropped him to his knees and over onto his back with a terrific left-right punch. Game Yvon was counted out amid thundering cheers from the estimated 10,000 in the Montreal Forum.

Blood was streaming from Durelle's noise and from a cut on his right cheek and from the mouth at the finish.

Moore's left cheek was badly swollen and there was a nick over his left eye.

HE'S GOING SOUTH

Archie Happy Now: Boxing Needs Him

NEW YORK (AP)—Archie Moore Monday felt like the guy who finally told off his boss.

The ageless light heavyweight champion got it off his chest at a boxing luncheon when several writers congratulated him on his electrifying comeback victory over Yvon Durelle, his birthdays (42, 45, 48) Saturday, and for giving boxing a great lift.

ARCHIE MOORE
Things Have Changed

"Most of my career, when things were tough and I was getting my lumps, I always dreamed of the day when boxing would need me," said Archie. "I guess my time came. But I don't hold any grudges. Things are going along fine. I'm going on that South American tour and then I've got that return fight with Durelle in Montreal in July."

"That should be a big payday," someone said.

"I hope so," said Archie. "That will take care of my old age."

The champion, unmarked by his gruelling fight last Wednesday, said the South American tour was being lined up by Roberto D'Angelo, "my South American manager."

Archie said the dates haven't been settled yet but he expected to leave after Feb. 10 with his wife and 15-month-old daughter.

"I'll have some nontitle fights and give exhibitions," said Archie. "This will be a sort of vacation and boxing tour. No more title fights until Durelle."

Moore was interviewed before heavyweight contenders Nino Valdes of Cuba and Pat McMurtry of Tocoma, Wash., were introduced at an International Boxing Club luncheon. Valdes and McMurtry clash at the Garden Friday.

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FLOYD PATTERSON

Patterson Keeps Crown

Cut and Pooped Texan Unable To Answer Bell

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LOS ANGELES (AP)—Heavy punching Floyd Patterson retained his world's heavyweight championship Monday night when challenger Roy Harris was unable to answer the bell for the thirteenth round of their title fight at Wrigley Field.

ROUND ONE: Harris opened the action jabbing to the champion's head but both stayed at long range to the first half of the first round feeling each other out. Midway in this stanza Patterson sent a hard right to the head and in a fast exchange the New Yorker connected with a stiff left to the head and Harris with a right to the body, as the close round ended.

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ROUND TWO: Harris floored the champion for a three-count with a straight left and pushing right seconds after the bell sounded for the second round. Patterson did not appear hurt and rushed back to the attack with lefts to the head and rights to the body. Harris slowed the attack connecting with a right to the face. Patterson became the aggressor moving in with a left-right combination but once again the challenger staved him off with rights to the body.

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ROUND THREE: A cut showed over Harris' left eyelid as the third round opened. Patterson moved in scoring with solid left jabs which brought blood from Harris' nose, but Harris scored with a left jab and right upper combination. Midway in the round the champion shifted his attack to the body and scored in the infighting.

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ROUND FOUR: Harris' seconds stopped the bleeding over his eye between rounds and the challenger moved out rapidly to open round number four. A left hook from Patterson shook the challenger who still followed a strategy to lay back and counterpunch. Another cut showed high on Harris' right cheekbone, almost alongside the eye. Patterson slammed a telling left right left combination at the backpedaling Texan. Harris, although bleeding badly, continued to jab the attacking champion.

ROUND FIVE: Harris missed an uppercut as round five opened with Patterson in fast scoring two rights to the midsection. Patterson continued jabbing and in a fast exchange scored with a left hook to the face and right to the head. Harris returned with a left jab and right to the champion's head. Just before the bell Patterson tagged the Texan with a stiff left and right combination to the head. The cut on the right side of Harris' face showed up alongside the corner of his eye and there was another small cut on the right side of his head.

ROUND SIX: In a furious exchange midway in the round, both fighters scored to the head. Patterson nailed Harris with a fast hard right and reopened the cut alongside the left eye and it bled badly as the champion pounded home a fast flurry of lefts and rights that had the challenger groggy at the bell.

ROUND SEVEN: Patterson slowed down his attack as he attempted to set up the challenger. After the first minute, Patterson slammed a left hook and followed with a right to the body. Harris backpedaled to avoid further damage and tied up Patterson's attack, but the champion backed Harris into the ropes and scored with a left and right. As they reached the center of the ring Patterson slammed home a straight right, sending Harris to the canvas for a count of eight. Harris finished the round without further damage.

ROUND EIGHT: Patterson pounded a left to the stomach as the eighth round opened. After they squared off at long range the champ slammed a right to the midsection. Patterson flashed a left uppercut but missed most of his punches midway in the round. Patterson put Harris down with a straight left to the head for a count of about seven. Harris got up and came back into action, only to go down again from a right hand. This time he was up at the count of three.

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ROUND NINE: Action in the ninth round started at long range. Both boxers jabbed with lefts. Harris lacked steam with his shots. Patterson stalked his foe into the ropes and connected with another solid left-right combination. The challenger fought back gamely but Patterson was landing the punches.

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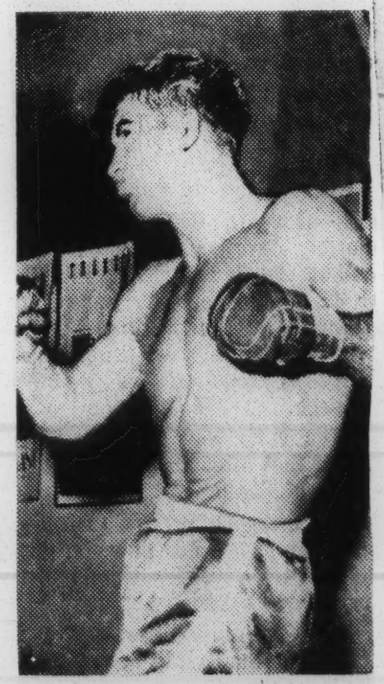
Patterson crashed the challenger into the ropes with a left to the body. He missed the follow up as the round ended.

ROUND TEN: Patterson moved in slowly as the tenth round got under way and after he missed a right Harris went into a clinch. They moved to long range again and a Harris jab popped back the titlist's head. Patterson, midway in the round, again stunned the challenger with two rights to the side of the head which started the blood flowing again.

FLOYD PATTERSON
TKO in 12th



ROY HARRIS
Down But Not Out

Sports of The Times

By ARTHUR DALEY

A View of the Pacific

OCEANSIDE, Calif., Aug. 12—Floyd Patterson stretched full length on the deck chair in front of his motel overlooking the Pacific and yawned politely. It was a yawn of contentment, a lazy gesture that could have been induced by the sight of the breakers rolling lazily in on the beach. There was no hurry to the waves. There was no hurry to the heavyweight champion of the world.

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"Isn't this nice?" said Floyd, with his characteristically quizzical grin.

He didn't look like a gladiator training earnestly for the defense of his championship against Roy Harris of Cut 'N' Shoot, Tex., at Wrigley Field in Los Angeles next Monday. But this was a moment of relaxation before he started later in the Community Center that's even closer to the ocean. So he let himself enjoy it.

Educational Process

"This isn't wearisome," said Patterson in somewhat fancier phraseology than a tourist had a right to expect. "I like to train. There's always something new to learn and, although you can't learn everything, at least you can try."

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The champion shut off his conversation abruptly, almost as if startled at his own verbosity. He looks bigger, more mature now than ever before. At the advanced age of 23 he's moved completely into man's estate.

New York

"My weights about the same," he said. "Somewhere between 185 and 189. But I've gotten thicker through the neck and the chest. I used to wear a size 15½ collar. Now I wear a 17. My suits were 40-42 and now they're 44-46."

"In fact, the only time weight bothered me was before the second bout with Hurricane Jackson. I had to fight to hold my weight because I went down to 175 pounds. So Cus D'Amato made me eat steaks and chops for breakfast and I hate to eat meat for breakfast. But I came in at 184 pounds.

"The most I ever weighed? Lemme see. It was when I laid off for a couple of months after the Pete Rademacher fight. I went back into training and was so slow I couldn't understand it. So I stepped on the scales and hit 200. How did I cut down? Ugh. I stopped eating."

Faulty Memory

Patterson stretched again. He did it with the lithe grace of a tiger unlimbering his sinews. The champion's laziness is just as deceptive.

How about his famed gazelle punch? Was he working on that?

The gazelle punch is a Patterson invention wherein he leaps ahead off his feet and lands a mid-air wallop. Boxing purists shudder at

the sight of it because they regard it as a sucker punch that invites trouble.

"I try hard not to use it," he said. "But sometimes I forget. One time at Greenwood Lake I started to throw it, remembered and held back. My sparring partner caught me wide open. It's only when I do it unconsciously that I can get away with it.

"Matter of fact, I scored most of my amateur knockouts with that punch. I could see a man with his guard down and he never dreamed I could leap so far as to catch him. Even against Joey Maxim I leaped in four or five times and didn't miss him once."

He said that proudly. Any fighter who can tag the artful Pal Joey with a sucker punch is entitled to be proud of it. Just then D'Amato walked by, picked up the thread of the conversation and couldn't resist.

"He knocked out Archie Moore with it," said Cus the Crusader. "But Archie was watching for a right and Floyd crossed him up with a left hook."

Sight Unseen

Had the champion ever seen the terror from Cut 'n' Shoot?

"Nope," said Floyd. "I never saw him fight."

Like all fighters he never once mentioned his next opponent by name. It always was "he" or "him."

"Let's see. I saw Jackson before I fought him and Moore and lots and lots of others. Some I didn't see, like Rademacher."

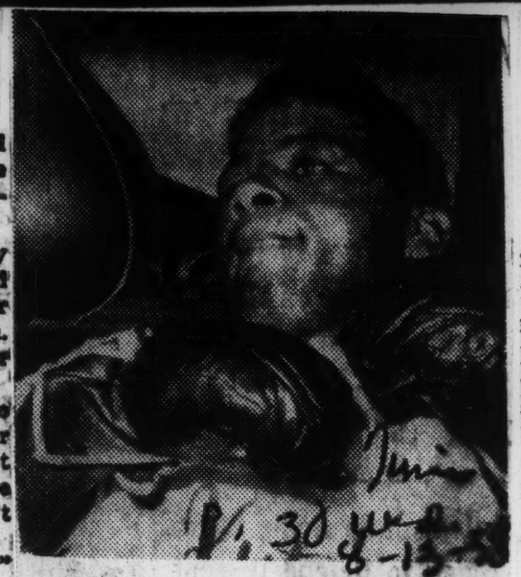
There was sadness in his voice when he mentioned Rademacher, the ex-amateur who fought miserably a few weeks ago against Zora Folley.

"I thought he'd be as desperate against him as he was against me," he continued. "But he never looked the other guy in the eye and started on the defensive. So the other guy came after him. Some one had to make the fight. Rademacher didn't even try."

There were rumors that Harris was a desive fighter. Did this enter into Patterson's strategic plans?

"If he doesn't come at me," said Floyd matter-of-factly, "I'll have to go find him."

He should find him, all right. In a ring there is no room to hide.



Associated Press Wirephoto

Floyd Patterson works on the light bag at his California training camp.

Gibson Criticizes Ban On Broadcast Of Title Fight

CHICAGO — (ANP) — The ban on home radio broadcasting for the Floyd Patterson-Roy Harris heavyweight title fight in Los Angeles, Aug. 18, drew critical comments from Truman K. Gibson, president of the International Boxing Club last week.

Citing the importance of such broadcasts to the interest of boxing and in entertaining the sick and shut-in, Gibson when asked to state his reaction to the ban, said:

"The International Boxing Club has always broadcast its big fights to homes, even though it might have been more profitable, in each instance, to ban adio.

"When James D. Norris was president of the IBC, before me, he insisted upon radio for the big fights because he believed that it stimulated interest in boxing and because he know it brought pleasure to thousands of shut-ins at hospitals and homes."

Gibson explained, however, that he was not criticizing the Teleprompter Corp., which will televise the fight to theatres throughout the country, for placing the ban on radio. He said his statement was merely an explanation of "our attitude toward big-fight broadcasts."

The fight is being promoted by Bill Rosenson. He is an IBC rival.

Victory a 'Must' for Patterson --- Another Chance May Not Come

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Even the naive must know the fight game is loaded with angles, intrigue and mystery. So it behooves Floyd Patterson to whip Roy Harris Monday night and retain his world heavyweight championship.

If he loses, Patterson might never see the title again.

Patterson, of course, is an overwhelming favorite to successfully defend the valuable crown in the 15-round battle.

Patterson has a 60-day return clause for a rematch in his contract with the big boy from Cut and Shoot, Tex., in the event he did lose.

But return match clauses sometimes have a way of getting sidetracked.

Suppose, mused the fight mob Friday, Harris won and then elected to fight someone else, such as Willie Pastrano, and lost.

Pastrano has no obligation to give Patterson a title fight. Far from it. Patterson's manager, Cus D'Amato, has the New Orleans heavyweight on his blacklist.

Harris and Pastrano fought in Houston in June, 1957. Harris won. There was a return match clause. It was never fulfilled.

Promoter Chris Dundee of Miami Beach cried loudly when the Patterson-Harris match was made. He said Harris was obliged to fight Pastrano under his promotion.

Chris' brother, Angelo, happens to be Pastrano's manager.

Chris Dundee is here to see the fight. Perhaps the first friend he looked up was Lou Viscusi, who happens to be the Houston promoter and Harris' managerial advisor.

Both Viscusi and Dundee have worked many times with the International Boxing Club. The IBC is the target of all the hate D'Amato can muster.

Dundee watched Harris work out. He also saw Floyd drill.

"Patterson is the same Patterson who fought Archie Moore. Has not changed a bit," said Dundee.

"Harris impressed me tremendously. I give this fellow a very good chance to win the title. I'm picking him to win," Dundee declared.

What about that Harris-Pastrano rematch contract?

"Oh, I haven't said anything to Viscusi about it. He's all wrapped up in this fight. I'll talk to him later," said Dundee.

The fight game is a wonderful thing.

ROY HARRIS (L) PUTS TEXAS TRADEMARK ON KING FLOYD PATTERSON

Cut 'n' Shoot Challenger Gags It Up With Champ Before Appearing on Television Show

REPORT FROM EUROPE:

Afro-American

They Don't Know Floyd Patterson

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By OLLIE STEWART

PARIS — There were only men in the group — American, French and Jamaican — sitting around a table in a bistro on the Left Bank, talking about this and that and nothing in particular. Eventually the talk got around to sports and the tax money Joe Louis is said to owe, and somebody asked an astounding question.

"Who," the fellow asked, "is heavyweight champion now?"

If this had been asked at any other time during the past ten or fifteen years, it might have been considered a joke. But not the other day. The man was serious — and when you come to think about it, maybe he had good reason to be. Nobody in Paris ever says a word about the champion. And judging by this unexpected question, one or two people in this part of the world don't know who the champion is.

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FLOYD PATTERSON is recognized everywhere as world's heavyweight boxing champ. Sports writers know he is, boxing managers know, and true ring fans who keep up with such things are well aware of the fact. But the ordinary man in the street — some, I imagine, in the United States — just wouldn't shout "Patterson!" if you asked them to name the boss of the heavyweights.

It's a sad state of affairs. Patterson won his title by beating everybody who stood between him and the championship. He hasn't ducked anybody, and he has done everything that has been asked of him. The only trouble is, he hasn't been asked to do much since he took the crown!

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THEY SAY in Paris that his manager is at fault. I don't know. But I do know that never in the history of modern boxing has the boss man of the fight game been so little talked about.

Perhaps he lacks color. Perhaps because he loves his wife and doesn't hit the booze in the gay spots, or doesn't get into tavern brawls, he can't get headlines. Or maybe the golden era of boxing that Joe Louis enjoyed is dead and gone. But whatever the reason, young Floyd Patterson—who should be one of the best-known figures in the world, is one of the least-known outside certain fistic circles.

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EUROPE DOESN'T know him. Since he won the Olympic middleweight title in Finland in 1952, he hasn't made any trips. His name and his fame have no glamor comparable to that Sugar Ray and the Brown Bomber. Maybe Floyd should fight more often, or hire a couple of publicity men. But whatever he needs, he needs lots of it. It shouldn't be any secret when a man gets to be heavyweight champion of the world.

FLOYD PATTERSON

Associated Press

HE'LL EXHIBIT THOSE BICEPS IN BRITAIN: Floyd Patterson with his most ardent fan, his wife, aboard liner Saxonia before sailing yesterday to fight several exhibitions. The heavyweight champion and his manager, Cus D'Amato, also are scheduled to discuss with British promoter, Harry Levene, a possible title defense in London in June.

Patterson Sails for England

Post & Times Herald Washington, D.C. Fri. 3-14-58

NEW YORK, March 13 (AP) Heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson sailed for England today in quest of an opponent for a title defense in London this June.

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The 23-year-old boxer said he hoped to make a minimum of two defenses this year.

"Maybe three or four," said his manager, white-haired Gus D'Amato.

D'Amato declined to name possible opponents, other promoters than London's Harry Levene or other sites. He will resume his negotiations with Levene in London.

The two had hoped to match Patterson with Joe Erskine, the British Empire champion, but that fight was knocked out when Erskine was stopped by Sweden's Ingemar Johansson.

Asked about the possibility of a rematch with Pete Rademacher, the Olympic champion who was koncked out in the sixth round by Patterson last Aug. 22, D'Amato replied:

"Any man who's able to put up the money has a chance. His backers appear to be ready and willing and they feel his first effort justifies their putting up money again."

While he was shy about naming opponents, D'Amato did say that two contenders who would not get a crack at his protege are top-ranking Eddie Machen of Redding, Calif., and third-ranking Willie Pastrano of Miami Beach.

He said Machen and Pastrano had "forefeited" their chances by rejecting fights with Patterson.

The manager has also insisted Patterson will not have any fights with boxers who cooperate with the International Boxing Club. He is feuding with the IBC and its president, James D. Norris.

Patterson will make several exhibition appearances in England on shows promoted by Levene. The first will be in London, March 25. He will box with his parring partner Dusty Rhodes, who was in the party that sailed today.

D'Amato Says Patterson Won't Fight

Times P. 31 New York Fri. 3-14-58

By MURRAY ROSE

NEW YORK (AP)—Heavyweight boxing champion Floyd Patterson's manager said Tuesday he would welcome a Congressional investigation as threatened by two Western representatives. And he said he would not agree to have Patterson meet the winner of Wednesday's battle between leading contenders Eddie Machen and Zora Folley.

"Let them take action," said Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager. "I would welcome a Congressional investigation. I'd give my reasons for doing what I'm doing. I'd get my points over. I'd be glad to go on television and radio to explain my position."

Reps. Engle (D-Calif) and Udall (D-Ariz) agreed in a joint statement last week that the winner of the Machen (Redding, Calif.)-Folley (Chandler, Ariz) fight would be the only logical contender. They warned that unless Patterson meets the winner they will

ask Congress "to prevent such monopolistic conduct."

D'Amato, who returned with Patterson from England Monday, reiterated that Machen and Willie Pastrano, another leading contender, as well as some other heavyweights, had forfeited their chances for a title fight with Patterson.

"Patterson is ready to fight," said D'Amato. "We have several title fights in mind. But it won't be against anyone of those who blacklisted him before his first title defense."

He said Machen and Pastrano had their chance and rejected it. D'Amato wouldn't name the others.

Asked whether Folley or undefeated Roy Harris of Cut and Shoot, Tex., another leading contender, would get a shot at the title, D'Amato replied "No comment."

"Patterson will have his title fights this year," said D'Amato. "When I have them signed, sealed and delivered, I will let everyone know.

"Floyd made over $400,000 last year for his two title defenses and from other sources. I promised him on his birthday (Patterson was 23 on Jan. 4) he will make a half million dollars this year. He will, too."

Patterson won the vacant heavyweight title Nov. 30, 1956, by knocking out light heavyweight champion Archie Moore in the fifth round at Chicago. The International Boxing Club, with whom D'Amato is now feuding, promoted that fight.

In two defenses for independent promoters last year, Patterson stopped Tommy "Hurricane" Jackson in 10 rounds in New York July 29, and Pete Rademacher in the sixth round at Seattle Aug. 22.

D'Amato also ruled out Los Angeles promoter George Parnassus as a promoter for any of Patterson's fights. Parnassus, in San Francisco, said he was offering the champion a guarantee of $750,000 with an option of 40 per cent of the gate to defend his crown against the Machen-Folley winner.

"Parnassus is out," said D'Amato. "He said before he made me an offer of a certain amount of money for a title fight for Patterson. He never did. He will not promote a fight involving Patterson."

FIGHT OR FORFEIT, CHAMPION IS TOLD

Patterson's Manager Says He Won't Be Pushed by World Boxing Group

PARIS, June 1 (UPI)—The World Boxing Committee today ordered Floyd Patterson to defend his heavyweight championship against a recognized challenger before Sept. 30 or forfeit the crown.

"In case Patterson should refuse, the committee shall no longer recognize him as world champion," said a statement issued by the committee president, Julius Helfand, who is also the chairman of the New York State Athletic Commission. "It would then examine what action to take in the application of this decision."

When a world title becomes vacant, an elimination tournament usually is ordered to provide a new champion.

Patterson must defend against one of four challengers named yesterday. They are Eddie Machen of San Francisco and Zora Folley of Chandler, Ariz., who are tied for first place, Willie Pastrano of Miami Beach, No. 3, and Roy Harris of Cut and Shoot, Tex., No. 4.

D'Amato Threatens Suit

In New York, Patterson's manager, Cus D'Amato, said: "They won't push me." If the world committee tries to force Patterson to defend against one of four men who blacklisted him when we needed a challenger, I'll take that committee into court—together and individually."

He claimed that the four challengers proposed by the committee were among the several "who blacklisted us last summer."

"Floyd will defend this summer," D'Amato continued. "In fact, he may defend three times this summer, but against fighters whose managers haven't tried to cut our throats."

Patterson, 23, of Mount Vernon, N. Y., hasn't defended since last Aug. 22, when he knocked out Pete Rademacher in the sixth round. According to the committee's rules, not more than six months may elapse between defenses by a champion in any of boxing's eight divisions.

In Boxing's Interest

The committee's statement at the close of its second and last day of meetings, stressed that the drastic ruling had been made to serve "the interests of boxing and the general public."

The statement said:

"The delays in which the title of world heavyweight champion must be defended are well beyond the limit.

"The world boxing committee considers the refusal by Patterson and his manager to defend his heavyweight title must be regarded as detrimental to the interests of boxing in general and his own reputation in particular.

"In consequence the committee decides that Patterson must defend his title against one of his officially designated challengers before Sept. 30, 1958.

"In case Patterson should refuse, the commission shall no longer recognize him as world champion and would then examine what action to take in the application of this decision.

"The commission is certain this decision is in the interests of boxing and the general public, which deserves to see an active world champion."

First Defense Last July

Patterson won the title from Archie Moore Nov. 30, 1956, in Chicago. He has defended it twice, against Hurricane Jackson in New York last July 29, 1957, and then against Rademacher, the 1956 Olympic amateur champion.

Yesterday the committee, with Helfand presiding, accepted the resignation of the National Boxing Association of the United States "because the N. B. A. has repeatedly broken the world committee's rules."

Sugar Ray Arrives in Chicago, Calls It His 'Lucky Fight Town'

CHICAGO, Mar. 18 (AP).—Challenger Sugar Ray Robinson & Co. arrived in his lucky fight town today for his title rematch with middleweight champion Carmen Basilio a week from tonight in the Chicago Stadium.

Herald Tribune

Robinson's entourage of fourteen included co-manager George Gainford, who promptly said Sugar Ray has become so irked at Basilio's demand for a "fair" officiating shake that he will knock him out within five rounds.

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"That way Robinson will make certain there will be no question of Basilio hollering about being robbed," said Gainford.

New York N.Y.

Basilio, who arrived yesterday and this morning jogged with a Japanese Judo expert, contends Illinois officiating and not any Chicago jinx mainly was responsible for him losing all of his three previous bouts here.

Basilio's companion in road work around a baseball diamond in Garfield Park was Chuck Okamura, who is training for the National A. A. U. judo championships April 12-13.

Robinson let others do most ofthe talking when he stepped off the train with his wife, three sparring partners, two trainers, two managers, a bodyguard, a lawyer, a barber, a publicitor, his personal physician and a fellow named Soldier Jones.

However, Robinson, who won the middleweight three different times in Chicago, suggested that Basilio didn't suffer from officiating in New York last Sept. 23 when Sugar Ray was shorn of his 160-pound crown in a fierce 15-round battle.

"If that other fight had been here in Chicago, I would have won it," said Robinson. "One of the judges in New York even voted for me. They wouldn't have taken it away from me here, but they did in New York."

All of this, of course, is part of the build-up for the big rematch whihc will be televised only on a theater circuit and which the sponsoring International Boxing Club thinks will break the indoor record gate of $422,918 by Tony Zale and Rocky Graziano in the Stadium in 1947.

Robinson, lodging in a suite in a big downtown hotel, skipped a workout today and may even remain idle tomorrow. Sugar Ray altered plans to share the same gym with Basilio, who is working out at Coulon's Gym on the south side. Robinson will flex his muscles, instead, at the Joe Louis Gym, also on the south side.

Herald Tribune—United Press telephoto

ARRIVES FOR FIGHT—Gloves draped over him, Sugar Ray Robinson and his wife arrive in Chicago where challenger will begin final drills for middleweight championship fight with Carmen Basilio Tuesday night.

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FLOYD PATTERSON

Patterson Scales 184 ½ to Harris' 194

CHAMPION LIGHTER THAN ANTICIPATED

New York Times

Patterson Calm at Weigh-In for Coast Fight—Harris Followers Confident

Tues. 8-19-58

By ARTHUR DALEY

Special to The New York Times

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 18—A weight differential of almost ten pounds was the somewhat surprising development this morning at the formal weighing-in for tonight's heavyweight championship fight between Floyd Patterson and Roy Harris.

Ten hours before they were to meet in the ring at Wrigley Field, the two gladiators met in another ring. This one was in the rather distant Hollywood Legion Stadium.

The scale was situated in a corner—presumably a neutral corner—and Lou Winston of the California State Boxing Commissoin presided. Patterson, the champion, stepped on the platform first, with Winston peering over one shoulder and Harris over the other.

"One eighty-four and a half," sang out Winston. Ringsiders raised their eyebrows slightly. The champion was a mite lighter than expected, since he had weighed 182, 184 and 187 in his three title matches.

Harris Surprises, Too

Patterson shuffled off the scale and the smiling No. 1 citizen of Cut 'n' Shoot, Tex., stepped briskly on. Winston looked at the flickering hand on the scale and blinked a bit when the hand settled to a stop.

"One ninety-four," he shouted. There were low whistles from the assembled experts. They'd anticipated a weight in the 190-192 bracket.

The sartorially elegant Cus D'Amato, the exceedingly nervous proprietor of Patterson, stopped biting his nails and did some wishful thinking.

"I hope," muttered the champion's manager, "that the ten pounds difference in weight means that there also is that much difference in speed."

Just as nervous as D'Amato was Big Henry Harris, the father of Roy. He was attired in blue jeans, a red checkered shirt and a wide-brimmed cowboy hat.

Father Not Worried

"Roy ain't as sharp as he was for the (Willie) Pastrano fight," drawled Big Henry. "But maybe it don't matter none. The better the grade of opponent, the better he always is."

Bill Gore, Harris' trainer, was totally unconcerned.

"So what?" he scoffed. "Roy weighted 199 when he beat Willi Besmanoff. Most of that weight is his breakfast. You know how he eats."

Sure do. The pride of the Big Thicket has been known to top off a monstrous breakfast with a big steak, usually smothered with three eggs.

Although the jitters were noticeable among members of each man's retinue, the fighters showed no sign of strain.

Harris was the first man to clamber through the ropes. He was preceded by his trainer and followed by his pappy. The challenger wore black trunks, cowboy boots and a big smile.

Along Comes Patterson

No sooner had Big Henry entered the ring than Patterson trailed inside, with D'Amato and Trainer Dan Florio following. A white terry-cloth robe concealed the champion's white trunks. He was wearing street shoes and blue socks with neat red clockings.

When the educated hillbilly from Cut 'n' Shoot whipped off the cowboy boots before stepping on the scales, his disguise slipped off with it. He was wearing tasteful checkered socks. And when he finally drove away from the weigh-in he was dressed in blue slacks and white shirt, as casually attired and as clean-cut in appearance as a Madison Avenue executive on a holiday.

This was far different garb from the one Roy had affected for a television broadcast in the big city a couple of days ago. He gave that one the full Texas treatment from cowboy hat to cowboy boots. Moreover, he wore a silver star on his manly bosom as if he hoped some tycoon out here would tap him for a part in Gunsmoke, Wagon Train or some other horse opera. It should be interposed, though, that he looked uncomfortable in the get-up.

It was 10 A. M. when the fighters moved into the ring together. They stood apart and didn't look at each other. Winston started to arrange them at the scale for the swarm of photographers before weighing them.

Concession to Deadlines

"Weigh 'em first. We got editions to make," bellowed a leather-lunged boxing writer. So Winston weighed 'em first.

Then the photographers took over.

"Shake hands and look at each other," pleaded the lensmappers. Harris gave Patterson a piercing stare with his level green eyes. He's a great one for staring men down. The champion shifted uncomfortably and looked away although they held each other in firm handshake.

Ten someone handed Harris a telegram wishing him good luck. The telegram was 300 feet long. There was room enough for the names of all 194 inhabitants of Cut 'n' Shoot as well as for neighbors from Houston.

No sooner had Roy glanced in bewilderment at the huge roll than Bill Daniel, a brother of Price Daniel, the Governor of the Lone Star State, broke into the act.

Daniel appeared to be wearing a dinner jacket despite the early hour. His suit was black. His shirt was a dress shirt. The tie was a black bow. But a white sombrero was atop his grey hair and he wore white buckskin shoes.

Daniel presented a scroll to Patterson making the champion an honorary citizen of Texas.

The photographers took their pictures. Soon there wasn't one request for "just one more, please."

Gore stepped swiftly over to Harris.

"Roy," said his trainer, "they'll wear you out if you stay here. Let's git."

The combatants disappeared to their dressing rooms and swiftly departed by cars to their hideouts. The weigh-in had taken less than an hour.

Associated Press Wirephoto

FRIENDLY RELATIONS: Champion Floyd Patterson, left, and Roy Harris, the challenger, pose for photographers at weighing-in ceremony before last night's heavyweight championship at Wrigley Field, Los Angeles.

COURT PROHIBITS FIGHT BROADCAST

New York Times

Justice Tilzer Rules Radio Reports of Title Bout Must Use Past Tense

Tues. 8-19-58

State Supreme Court Justice George Tilzer yesterday prohibited three local radio stations from broacasting "present tense" accounts of last night's heavyweight in Los Angeles.

While the decision barred anything resembling "live" broadcasts or "blow-by-blow accounts in the present tense," it did not, however, prevent the stations from giving accounts of the fight in the past tense, as newspapers do.

The action to prevent the stations—WOR, WOV and WINS—from giving blow-by-blow accounts of the fight while it was in progress was brought by the Teleprompter Corporation, which had the exclusive television and radio rights to the fight.

TelePrompTer, which had arranged to broadcast the fight only on a closed television circuit to 150 movie theatres, contended that the proposed action of the three radio stations would violate its exclusive rights and create "unfair competition."

Justice Tilzer said that in this case the radio stations had the same right as newspapers to carry accounts of the fight as news. He said, however, that "such rights do not extend to a blow-by-blow description nor to a broadcast of the fight phrased in the present tense."

"The moving party (TelePrompTer) has demonstrated his right that any report of the fight be in the past tense and should not be a running account of the fight actually in progress," he said.

The radio stations said they interpreted the decision to mean that they could go ahead with plants to read accounts of the fight from the wire service news tickers as these reports were received in their studiose while the fight was still in progress. They said the accounts would be read in the past tense, even if they were blow-by-blow accounts.

The fight was scheduled to begin at 11 P. M. New York time. WOR said it would start its account of the fight at 11:15 and WOV at 11:10 and WINS at 11.

Still Champeen, Etc.

Birmingham News

Us pore folks down hereabouts who don't have the benefit of closed circuit television, and who weren't able to scoot out to California, didn't see the Harris-Patterson (or should we say Patterson-Harris) fight.

Birmingham, Ala.

We read about it, like y'all.

Apparently it was a pretty good fight in that both men pummeled each other to the best of their ability. But the much-writ-about Harris from Cut and Shoot, Tex., just didn't have it. Sometimes it seems that a miracle is about to happen—somebody comes up, not from the routine ranks, who may be able to outpoke the champeen. But this is rare indeed, friends. One needs only to recall a name—what was it, Rademacher?

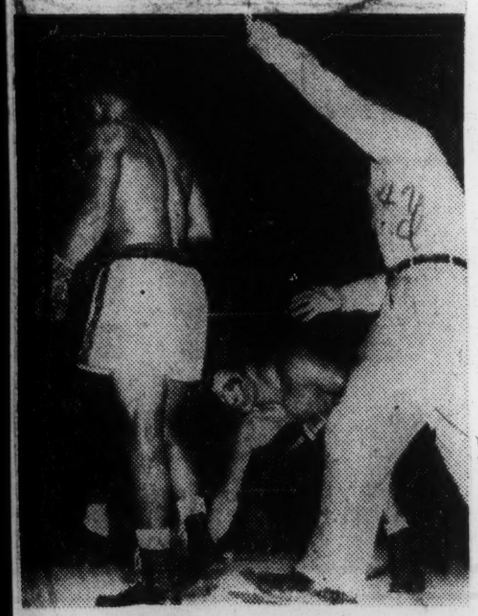
So Floyd Patterson remains the champion in the heavyweight division.

He rarely fights, but apparently it is because there are so few truly potential contenders.

Guess, now, he'll wait another year or so.

Oh for the old days when a champ was in the ring at least a couple of times a year.

Time marches on. Or is that a stagger?



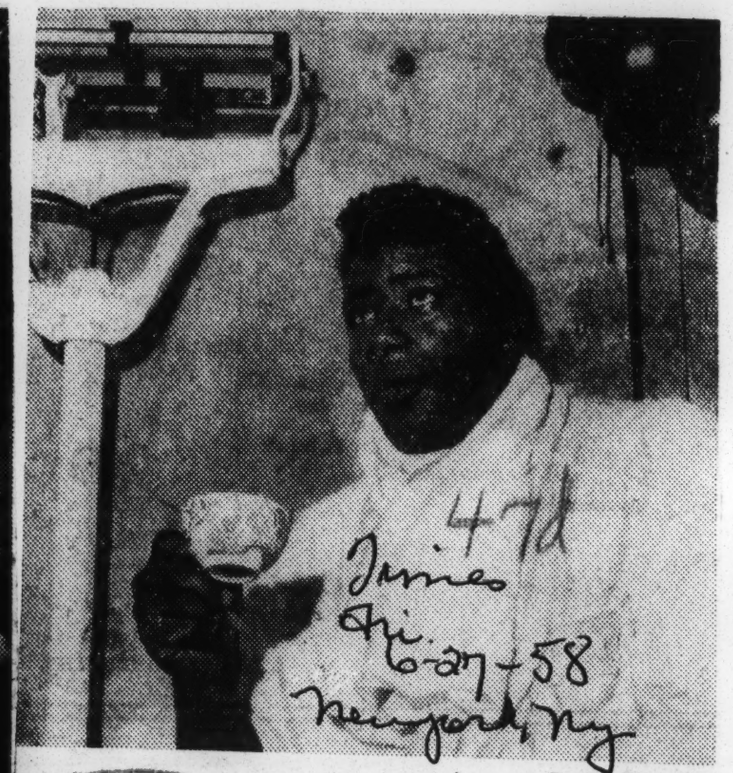
Harris Vs. Patterson

New York Times Greensmith from Gibson

SWEATING OUT TITLE BOUT? No, Floyd Patterson is just washed up after workout at his training camp in Oceanside, Calif. The heavyweight champion will defend his title against Roy Harris on Aug. 18 in Los Angeles.

New York Times Associated Press Wirephoto

A BREAK IN TRAINING: Floyd Patterson is the center of attraction for youngsters in a creek near his training camp in Oceanside, Calif. The children are Fred, 8; Pat, 6, and Ricky Schippert, 5. Patterson will defend his heavyweight title in bout with Roy Harris on August 18.



The New York Times

Floyd Patterson talks between sips of hot tea at camp

Gibson raps title fight radio ban

Chicago Defender

CHICAGO (ANP) — The ban on home radio broadcasting for the Floyd Patterson - Roy Harris heavyweight title fight in Los Angeles, Aug. 18, drew critical comment from Truman K. Gibson, president of the International Boxing Club, last week.

Citing the importance of such broadcasts to the interest of boxing and in entertaining the sick and shut-in, Gibson, when asked to state his reaction to the ban, said:

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"THE International Boxing Club has always broadcast its big fights to homes, even though it might have been profitable in each instance, to ban radio.

"When James D. Norris was president of the IBC, before me, he insisted upon radio for the big fights because he believed that it stimulated interest in boxing and because he know it brought pleasure to thousands of shut-ins at hospitals and homes."

GIBSON EXPLAINED, however, that he was not criticizing the Teleprompter Corp., which will televise the fight to theatres throughout the country, for placing the ban on radio. He said his statement was merely an explanation of "our attitude toward big-fight broadcasts."

The fight is being promoted by Bill Rosensohn, under the blessing of Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager. He is an IBC rival.

BOXING LOADED WITH ANGELS

Patterson May Never See Crown Again If He Loses

Jackson Mississippi

BY BOB MYRES
Associated Press Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Even the naive must know the fight game is loaded with angles, intrigue and mystery. So it behooves Floyd Patterson to whip Roy Harris Monday night and retain his world heavyweight championship.

If he loses, Patterson might never see the title again.

Patterson, of course, is an overwhelming favorite to successfully defend the valuable crown in the 15-round battle.

Patterson has a 60-day return clause for a rematch in his contract with the big boy from Cut and Shoot, Tex., in the event he did lose.

But return match clauses sometimes have a way of getting sidetracked.

Suppose, mused the fight mob Friday, Harris won and then elected to fight someone else, such as Willie Pastrano, and lost.

NO OBLIGATION

Pastrano has no obligation to give Patterson a title fight. Far from it. Patterson's manager, Cus D'Amato, has the New Orleans heavyweight on his blacklist.

Harris and Pastrano fought in Houston in June, 1957. Harris won. There was a return match clause. It was never fulfilled.

Promoter Chris Dundee of Miami Beach cried loudly when the Patterson-Harris match was made. He said Harris was obliged to fight Pastrano under his promotion.

Chris' brother, Angelo, happens to be Pastrano's manager.

Chris Dundee is here to see the fight. Perhaps the first friend he looked up was Lou Viscusi, who happens to be the Houston pro-

moter and Harris' managerial advisor.

Both Viscusi and Dundee have worked many times with the International Boxing Club. The IBC is the target of all the hate D'Amato can muster.

Dundee watched Harris work out. He also saw Floyd drill.

"Patterson is the same Patterson who fought Archie Moore. Has not changed a bit," said Dundee.

"Harris impressed me tremendously. I give this fellow a very good chance to win the title. I'm picking him to win," Dundee declared.

What about that Harris-Pastrano rematch contract?

"Oh, I haven't said anything to Viscusi about it. He's all wrapped up in this fight. I'll talk to him later," said Dundee.

The fight game is a wonderfu thing.

EMPIRE CHAMP LIKELY FOE IN JUNE BATTLE

Daily Tribune
Chicago, Ill.

Erskine Seeks to Qualify Feb. 21

Tues 1-28-58

New York, Jan. 27 (AP)—Floyd Patterson, world heavyweight boxing champion, today agreed to defend his title in England in June. The opponent will be Joe Erskine, British empire champion, if Erskine defeats Ingermar Johansson of Sweden in a Feb. 21 match.

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The announcement was made jointly by promoter Harry Levene of London and Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager.

Levene said the fight probably would be held in London's Wembley stadium, which has a seating capacity of 85,000. Levene and D'Amato would not disploce terms, but the manager hinted there would be a substantial guarantee.

Plan March 25 Exhibition

In addition to making his defense, Patterson will appear in a three round exhibition in Levene's next London show, March 25, in Empress hall.

If Erskine should lose his Feb. 21 match with Johansson, the European champion, D'Amato and Levene would discuss a different opponent. Presumably that might mean an American, possibly Pete Rademacher, altho both the protomer and manager refused to name names.

FLOYD PATTERSON
. . . to defend title abroad.

It would be the first time a world heavyweight title match had been fought outside the United States since Primo Carnera defended against Paulino Uzcudun in Rome, Oct. 22, 1933.

Stopped by Valdes

Patterson won his title by knocking out Archie Moore in Chicago, Nov. 30, 1936. He defended twice in 1957, stopping both Tommy [Hurricane] Jackson and Rademacher.

Erskine, born in Cardiff, Wales, in 1934, was stopped by Cuba's Nino Valdes in the first round in London, Feb. 19, 1957.

PATTERSON DRAWS HELFAND WARNING

Times P 20

World Heavyweight King Is Reminded Rule Requires Title Defense Soon

Herald Tri

By WILLIAM R. CONKLIN

Floyd Patterson, the world heavyweight boxing champion, is going to be under official pressure soon to defend his title.

Thurs 2-20-58

This was the word delivered yesterday by Julius Helfand, chairman of the State Athletic Commission, at a luncheon of the New York Boxing Writers Association.

Helfand was honored at the beginning of his second three-year term as commission chairman. On the heavyweight picture, he spoke both in his local capacity and as president of the World Championship Boxing Committee.

"As president of the world Committee," he told the writers gathered at Leone's "I can assure you that within a reasonable time the committee will take definite and certain action regarding the heavyweight championship."

Committee Inaction Denied

Helfand pointed out that both the commission and the world chommittee had rules stating a world champion must defend his title within six months of winning or retaining it. He explained that the six months meant six months more or less, rather than a strict calendar computation.

Helfand denied that the committee had been inactive while Archie Moore held the light heavyweight title for two years without defending it.

"We did take action, and Moore did defend his title in the Tony Anthony fight that Anthony lost," Helfand said "In the last two weeks I sent letters to my colleagues on the world committee asking their views on the fight between Joe Erskine of Britain and Patterson. I stated my own views frankly, and have now received theirs. I won't tell now what those views are because Erskine fights Ingemar Johansson of Sweden this Friday night."

Patterson, possibly the quietest champion ever, last defended his title against Pete Rademacher in Seattle. Since the fight was held on Aug. 22 the six-month period expires Saturday. Helfand, however, said the champion would not be held strictly to the calendar. If Erskine, the British heavyweight champion, defeats Johansson, Patterson is to fight Erskine in London this summer.

Nino Valdes, who will meet Alex Miteff in the Garden tomorrow night, got an oar in through his manager, Bobby Gleason. Gleason asked Helfand why his battler got no chance at the champion, though he has twice been ranked as the No. 1 contender in past years. Helfand ruled the question out as improper and was supported by Ned Brown, the boxing writers' president.

Helfand listed Eddie Machen of California as the current No. 1 contender; Zora Folley of Arizona No. 2and Willie Pastrano of Louisiana as No. 3. Machen and Folley will fight in San Francisco on March 19. Erskine is unranked by the National Boxing Association, while Johansson, the European champion, is ranked seventh among world heavyweights.

Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager, is hostile to the International Boxing Club. He contends that both Machen and Folley are tied up with the I. B. C., and therefore D'Amato has sought bouts abroad for his champion.

The world committee includes representatives from fourteen European nations, Great Britain and the Commonwealth, Latin America and the United States.

Offer Patterson $250,000 To Box Don Hodge

Defender 1-23
Chicago, Ill.
Sat. 5-3-58

DENVER, Co o. — (ANP) — Heavyweight Champion Floyd Patterson, who hasn't had a fistic payday in the last eight months may soon get a chance to pick up some loose money.

A local promoter backed up by a couple of businessmen, offered the champion $250,000 to defend his title in November against Don Hodge, a fistic nonentity outside of the Golden Gloves rank.

Dodge, who hails from Wichita Kansas, is the 1957 Golden Gloves Champ.

The offer was disclosed by Arthur Freeman, Wichita oil operator, who said William Colbert, Wichita matchmaker, te egraphed the proposal to Cus D'Amato Patterson's arbitrary manager.

If Patterson takes the match, it will be his second defense against an amateur. He scored a sixth round KO over Pete Rademacher in his last title fight.

Floyd Patterson Named "Fighter Of The Month"

Atlanta World
Atlanta, Ga.
Thurs 2-28-58

NEW YORK (PI) — Champion Floyd Patterson was named "Fighter of the Month" Wednesday and victim, Tony Harris, was droped from fifth to seventh as the Ring magazine gave its heavyweight ratings a thorough shake-up.

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Harris was knocked out in his title fight with Patterson at Los Angeles last week.

Nino Valdes of Cuba rose from sixth to fourth. Archie Moore slipped a peg to fifth. Sweden's unbeaten Ingemar Johansson, European champion, rose from seventh to sixth. and Sonny Liston of Philadelphia returned to the ratings at No. 9.

Rated first, second and third, respectively, were Zora Folley, Eddie Machen and Willie Pastrano.

PATTERSON HALTS HARRIS ON COAST

New York Times

Champion Drops Texan 7 Times Before Scoring a Knockout in Twelfth

Wed 8-30-58

By ARTHUR DALEY

Special to The New York Times

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 18—The flaming courage of Roy Harris, the educated backwoodsman from Cut 'n' Shoot, deep in the heart of Texas, carried him through twelve rounds with Floyd Patterson tonight. But blazing spirit wasn't enough.

Bruised, battered and bloody, Harris walked with wavering steps to his corner at the end of the twelfth. He wanted to continue, but his seconds mercifully refused. Thus did Patterson retain his world heavyweight championship by what will be recorded as a knockout in the twelfth.

PC 31

This was not a great f[illegible] because it was too one- [illegible] Rarely, however, has a m[illegible] played more fortitude than Harris. Four times he was knocked down, but he always got up punching. Once he had the temerity to drop the champion. This bit of effrontery occurred in the second round, [illegible] only one that the Texan won.

Hammering in a lef[illegible] body and a right uppercut [illegible] the jaw, the bold battler from the Big Thicket sent Patterson toppling. The surprised champion took a count of four and arose with more respect for his opponent than he had had a moment before.

Courage Comes Out

Harris comes from a long line of fist, knee and knife brawlers from Cut 'n' Shoot. They'd die before they'd quit in a fight.

That was the Harris breeding and he was true to it. The beating he took was brutal and there were times when he wore a bloody mask.

He had gashes over both eyes. His nose bled. There was a slashing cut across the right side of his head. It sounds gory and it was.

Patterson was unmarked. Even the knockdown he suffered was more a blow to his pride than anything else, because it did no serious damage, certainly none that endured. But the punishment that Harris absorbed was cumulative.

The champion wore him down until Floyd soon was fighting an empty opponent. Everything had been drained from him except that bottomless well of courage. Yet it was not until the seventh that Patterson scored the first of his four knockdowns.

A left hook that was swiftly followed by a right cross sent Harris down for a count of eight. In the next round, Floyd connected with a right and left combination. The college-educated Texan went down for a count of seven, but he brazenly surged back to the fray as soon as he arose.

He didn't stay upright for long. Roy was so weak that Floyd clubbed him across the back of the neck and down went the challenger once again. Harris leaped up quickly as if embarrassed. It seemed as if the knockdown could not have lasted more than a second or two, but the referee called it a six count.

Harris Down For Nine

Then in the twelfth, a long right to the head landed on that sanguinary target and down went Harris for the last time. But he arose unafraid at the count of nine and pawed desperately away at his tormentor, trying to keep him at bay. He did, too.

But Harris was out on his feet. It would have been cruel and inhuman to let him continue.

"That's enough," said trainer Bill Gore, the chief second, to Referee Mushy Callahan. In back of him the 237-pound Big-Henry Harris, the father of Roy and the head of the Harris clan, nodded in teary-eyed assent. Thus did the fight end.

Thus also ended Roy's unbeaten streak as a professional fighter. He had won all twenty-two of his bouts, but every one was in Texas. Since he never had appeared on television, he was something of an unknown quantity, although victories over Willie Pastrano, Bob Baker and the like had won him some reluctant respect.

The 25-year-old from the Big Thicket won the title chance because he was a colorful man from the implausible and easily publicized Cut 'n' Shoot. He was likened to Li'l Abner and his home was likened to Dogpatch.

He proved himself tonight, though. Any fighter with his courage needs no other credentials. At the end, Patterson shook his hand and hugged him, eyes glowing with an admiration that was unmistakable.

Of course, Patterson was far ahead on the scorecards of all the officials. Under the 10-point "must" system, where the winner of a round gets 10 points and the loser a proportionate lower number as his performance warrants, Callahan had the champion ahead by 117 to 97. Judge Frankie Van had it 116 to 102 and Judge Tommy Hart scored it 117 to 98.

Patterson weighed 184½ pounds and Harris 194.

Patterson Scales a Lonely Height

ChampionFindsMan at Summit Lives in Endless Solitude

Times

By GAY TALESE

Prize fighters, like writers and most pickpockets, must stand alone. If things go wrong, they cannot blame the secretary, or the assistant sales manager, or hire a new advertising agency.

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A. J. Liebling once wrote that organization men quietly resent the prize fighter because the fighter expresses himself openly, with his sweat, whereas the chain-of-command types must turn their hostilities inward.

"If a boxer, for example, ever went as batty as Nijinsky, all the wowsers in the world would be screaming 'punch drunk,'" Liebling wrote in his book, The Sweet Science. "Well, who hit Nijinsky?"

New York Mg

The hostilities and rambling thoughts of Floyd Patterson were openly expressed with sweat this week in a small, hot dressing room at Kutsher's Country Club, a mountain spa in Monticello, N. Y., where the heavyweight champion is hibernating until he goes against a Texan named Roy Harris in a forthcoming title fight.

Many discordant thoughts go pushing through a fighter's head once he leaves his wife and family and moves to the hills to run, box, sweat, rest and, in the darkness, lie awake in bed thinking. . . . only to arise early in the morning to find no one to talk to except two sparring partners and a trainer, who wouldn't understand anyway.

Times 8-27-58

Life Without Sandra

"Sure you get lonely here," Patterson said. "I miss my wife, Sandra, and, when I go home to see her in St Albans, it keeps getting more difficult to get away. . ."

"Oh, women, what are they good for?" asked Dan Florio, the trainer, who'd just come in. "They just distract you from your work."

"I don't see any reason why a guy's wife can't come to a training camp once in a while, Dan," Patterson said softly. "Although it's true—when you see your wife it takes the viciousness out of your fighting."

"Are you vicious now?" he was asked.

"No," Patterson said, "But when I don't see Sandra for six weeks or so. I get mean: I hate everybody; I take it out on the sparring partners."

"Would bachelor fighters generally be more vicious than married ones?"

"No," Patterson said. "Bachelors are merely fighting for themselves. When a man has a family and sees his obligations, he knows he has to make sacrifices."

"Does your wife want you to quit fighting?"

"Sure. She keeps saying, 'Just tell me when you'll stop. 1960? 1965?' But I can't tell her."

"How will you know when to quit?"

"When I'm not hungry any more," he said. "The mind is a funny thing. You can keep your mind hungry even when you're not hungry."

A Family Man

Patterson, 23, and Sandra, 20, were married three and a half years ago and have a daughter, Seneca, 17 months. Since beating Archie Moore for the title in 1956, Patterson said, his longest respite has been barely over three months; otherwise his marriage has consisted mostly of a monastic existence in a camp with his trainer and partners.

Women, to be sure, have brought troubled moments to many faultless artists, from Andrea del Sarto to Joe Louis, not to mention Hurricane Jackson. Following an ephemeral romance in 1955, Jackson supposedly guzzled five Coca-Colas before a fight. (He'd show her) So Jimmy Slade clobbered him.

"Do you wish Rocky Marciano would come out of retirement?" he was asked.

"No," Patterson said. "Six months ago, a year ago, yes. But now if I beat Marciano, they'd all say Marciano was just too old. It seems impossible for me to prove myself as a champion."

"How good a champ do you think you are?"

"Oh, I'm not a great champion. I'm just a champion."

"Of all the unknowns around, which contender do you respect most?"

"I rate them just like they're officially ranked."

"How are they rated?" he was asked.

"I don't know. How are they rate, Dan? Who's No. 1?"

"You're No. 1," Florio said. "You're the champion."

Good Word for Harris

"Did you ever watch Harris?"

"I saw him in an exhibition once in Houston," Patterson said, "He's smart and aggressive."

"Don't you ever get bored fighting all these anonymous heavies?"

"No," Patterson said. "I keep thinking of future plans."

"What plans?"

"Getting my own home in upstate New York and staying home twenty-four hours a day with my wife."

"What do you do at night?"

"Oh," he said, "I watch TV. I play these Jackie Gleason records here. Before I go to bed I play things like 'Music For Lovers Only,' and I always fall asleep with it on; then I wakeup later in the night and turn it off. Then its morning again. Road work."

BASILIO CONSOLED BY MANAGER—Carmen Basilio, who lost his middleweight title Tuesday night to Sugar Ray Robinson, is comforted in his dressing room in Chicago by his Manager John DeJohn. Basilio, whose eye, as shown here, was battered so badly, entered a hospital yesterday on the advice of an eye specialist. The doctor said the eye itself was not involved, but "there has been a massive hemorrhage" that needs treatment. (United Press Telephoto).

Robinson Hinting At September Go

June Rematch Is Ruled Out By New Middleweight King

CHICAGO, March 26 (AP)—Once again Sugar Ray Robinson, "aching in every bone," but languidly, today left his lucky fight as the conquering hero.

Middleweight champion for the fifth time, a quarter of a million dollars richer, Robinson entrained for New York hinting a rematch with Carmen Basilio may develop next September.

Slouched in a chair in his hotel suite, Robinson held his second news conference within 12 hours after dethroning a half-blinded Basilio in a fierce Chicago Stadium title bout last night.

Sugar Ray, who last night was extremely vague about his future plans, this noon left the door ajar to a rematch with Basilio. He said he wouldn't consider a June bout suggested by Jim Norris, International Boxing Club president, but will talk to Norris later about a possible September match.

Robinson earlier had said of a June rematch, "I don't know whether there will be anything. By anything, I mean I'm seriously considering the advice of a couple of good friends."

Was this a hint of retirement from the ring? "I didn't say that," Robinson quickly added.

Robinson has some movie aspirations, too. He has an offer to go to Hollywood in May and make some screen tests. "I've read a script on the life of a Mexican bull fighter and I like it very much," said Robinson.

Robinson, who now has won the middleweight title in Chicago four times and recaptured it here three times, was virtually unmarked. But as he slumped in his chair, he gave the appearance of great exhaustion from his 15-round brawl with Basilio.

"I feel like about 10 guys jumped on me," said Sugar Ray. "I pretty near am aching in every bone, and I'm sore all over."

But the sleek 37-year-old fighter had only a coloring over his left eye and a teeth-marking on his lower lip as visible souvenirs of the rugged scrap.

Basilio, of course, looked as though somebody clouted him in the face with a baseball bat. His terrifically swollen left eye responded somewhat to treatment, but he'll need a day or two to rest up before returning to his home near Syracuse.

Anyway, Carmen has the same financial balm for his battered visage that Robinson has for his weary bones—an approximate $256,000 purse. Each shared 30 per cent of all proceeds, including an announced net gate of $278,108, an estimated $400,000 from closed circuit TV, and fees from movies to be shown later, perhaps returning each around $45,000.

Robinson, who had most of his $480,000 purse from his Sept. 23 match with Basilio tied up by the government for back taxes, has a deferred payment deal with the IBC on last night's winnings.

Norris has arranged to pay Robinson 50 per cent of his purse on demand and the remainder over a four-year period as a tax-easing device. Basilio's co-manager, Joe Netro, said today the dethroned champion hasn't discussed with Norris how he will take his purse.

As for the fight, itself, main talk of the fan-in-the-street was why Referee Frank Sikora came up with a 69-66 vote for Basilio against the two Robinson ballots by the judges, 72-64 and 71-64.

Sikora explained: "I called it as I saw it. Basilio made the fight with those terrific body punches. So I gave it to him."

Robinson had a different version of who did the body punching. Sugar Ray admitted Basilio talked to him during the fight and explained: "Basilio asked me to stop hitting him in the kidneys in the late rounds. That's all I heard him say."

Asked about battling a one-eyed fighter for the last 10 rounds, Robinson commented "he fought a pretty smart fight for anybody."

When asked if he thought the fight was going his way along about the 12th round, Robinson said: "I felt it was going my way when the man said 'the winner and new chimpion'—not before."

GIBSON TO SEE SUGAR RAY ON BASILIO BOUT

Seeks Title Match in Yankee Stadium

BY FRANK MASTRO

Truman K. Gibson, president of the Inernational Boxing club, has left for New York for a conference with Ray Robinson about the prospects of having the latter defend his world middleweight championship against Carmen Basilio in Yankee Stadium this year, after Basilio fights Art Aragon in Los Angeles Aug. 28. . . . Eddie Kolski, secretary for the Illinois Athletic commission has left for a two weeks' fishing expedition at Hayward, Wis. . . . Incidentally, Harwood is the given name of Mickey Crawford, Saginaw, Mich., welterweight, who is paired with Gaspar Ortega in Madison Square Garden Friday night. . . . Fight Manager Bernard Glickman has moved his awning offices on California avenue to Elmwood Park. . . . Meyer Siegal, welterweight challenger of 12 years ago, is employed as a bartender at Solick's.

Plans for Spider Webb's prospective fight with Jimmy Hegerle in Pocatello Aug. 23 were spoiled by Hegerle's defeat by Gene Fullmer is West Jordan on Monday. Altho Hegerle's humiliation seemed to be complete, Fullmer suffered cut eyes which will preclude the possibility of his appearance in a headliner in the Garden Aug. 13. . . . Vic Hirsch, former Chicago welterweight contender, and his bride, Pauline, are spending their honeymoon in Miami Beach, Fla. . . . Personal to Larry Lewis of Cedar Rapids, Ia.: Wrestling results may be obtained from the Illinois Athletic commission, State of Illinois Building, Chicago. . . . Fred Kohler, middle west wrestling promoter with headquarters in Chicago, has contracted an occupational disease — ulcers. As result, he has been placed on a diet which has reduced his weight from 198 pounds to 170

Ten Per Cent of Ray's Loot at Stake

Sugar's Sour on Glaser's Crv

NEW YORK CITY—World's middleweight champion Sugar Ray Robinson is calling on his vaunted defense to ward off charges by theatrical agent Joe Glaser to collect 10 per cent of Robinson's earnings as his manager.

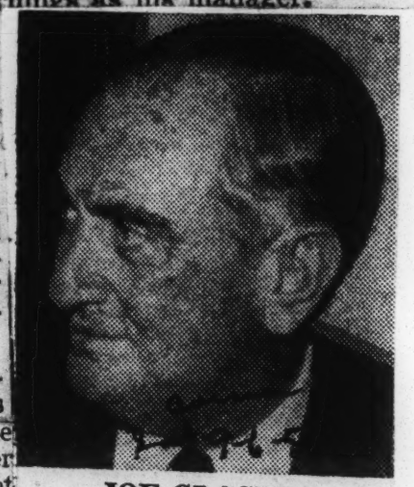
In the second round of pre-trial examination, Glaser's lawyer, Emil Ellis, grilled the 38-year-old Harlem Gabby while Robinson's attorney, Martin Machat, questioned Glaser.

The probe, held in a special term of the high court, revealed that Robinson said the only arrangements he made with Glaser were in connection with a mortgage case.

IN THE EXAMINATION before the trial, based on Glaser's charge that he managed the champion, Robinson said Glaser had no license, therefore cannot legally manage a fighter.

It was brought out that the notorious Frankie Carbo recently was indicted by District Attorney Frank Hogan for managing without a license.

The hearings are still going on, but Attorney Machat said he "doubted" that a settlement would be reached soon.



JOE GLASER
... sparring for cash

SUGAR RAY ROBINSON
... on defensive

Basilio Carried the Fight, Referee Declares

CHICAGO, March 26 (AP)—Referee Frank Sikora, the only official who thought Sugar Ray Robinson did not dethrone battered middleweight champion Carmen Basilio last night, gave this explanation of his 69-66 Basilio votes:

"I gave it to Basilio because he made the fight. He carried it to Robinson and fought three minutes of every round. Robinson was a spot fighter, coasting much of the time.

"I scored it in Basilio's favor also because he was scoring with body punches. Robinson's only real big round was the last. Basilio had Robinson in a bad way three or four times with his persistent attack.

"I'm on top of the action all the time, closer to the fight than anybody. I voted the way I saw it and the judges voted the way they saw it. I thought Basilio won."

Judge Frank McAdams voted for Robinson, 72-64, under the Illinois "five-must" scoring per round. Judge John Bray called it for Sugar Ray, 71-64. The AP card had Robinson winning, 70-63, while of 30 writers polled at ringside, 28 favored Robinson, 1 voted for Basilio and 1 called it a draw.

On a round basis, Sikora gave Basilio 9 rounds, called the third even and gave Robinson 5. On Bray's card, Basilio won only 4 of 15 rounds with none even. McAdams gave Basilio only 3 rounds and 11 to Robinson, and one even.

Each Fighter Gets $250,000 Plus

CHICAGO, March 26 (AP)—Sugar Ray Robinson and Carmen Basilio will receive more than $250,000 each for their title fight in Chicago Tuesday night, the International Boxing Club reported today.

The fight drew a $278,108 gate and about $400,000 in theater TV.

The IBC gave this breakdown of each fighter's share:

NET GATE—$81,869.76.
RADIO (Domestic)—$9000.
RADIO (Foreign)—$600.
Closed ircuit TV (estimate)—$120,000.
Movies to be shown later (estimated)—$45,000.
Total (estimate)—$256,469.76.

Carmen and Ray Born

TRYON, N. C., March 26 (AP)—Dr. George C. Vosburgh is an enthusiastic fight fan.

But just before the start of the Carmen Basilio-Sugar Ray Robinson championship middleweight fight last night, Dr. Vosburgh was called to attend a patient in labor.

In the delivery room, Dr. Vosburgh rigged up earphones so he could listen to the fight.

During the eighth round, Mrs. Nobie Lee Allen gave birth to a daughter and just as Sugar Ray was announced the winner, Mrs. Allen gave birth to a boy.

The Allens named the girl Carmen and the boy Ray.

Disappointed, No Doubt

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., March 26 (AP)—About 1800 fight fans crowded into the Grand Rapids armory last night to watch the Ray Robinson-Carmen Basilio bout on big-screen closed-circuit television.

They sat in their $3.30 seats as the national anthem was played in Chicago Stadium.

Then the picture flickered and died.

Technicians, watched by 50 die-hard fans, were still trying to fix it when the announcer reported Robinson had won. The promoter said he refunded the nearly $6000 he had collected.

Sugar Wants $600,000 For Return Basilio Bout

Sugar Ray Robinson's price for a third go with Carmen Basilio is $600,000.

Arriving from Chicago by train with the middleweight champion, Thursday, Sugar's attorney, Martin J. Machat, disclosed that Ray will demand that much of a guarantee for the next title defense.

"Ray and I discussed the situation thoroughly on the train,'" said Machat, "and he came to the conclusion that, since his total purse from all sources for last September's defense exceeded $600,000, he certainly will not consider less than that this time."

The demands may prove excessive since Basilio, now an equal drawing card, has hinted "he'll not settle for the slender slice he did as the original challenger. Carmen came down from 25 to 20 per cent for the first meeting.

NEW CHAMPION — Sugar Ray Robinson won the middleweight boxing championship or the fifth time Tuesday ight hen he defeated Carmen Basilio in a 15-round title bout at Chicago stadium. Here Robinson's hand is raising in victory by Ben Bentley, ring announcer. Others in the picture, left to right are: Harry Wiley, trainer; Harold "Killer" Johnson, one of Robinson's managers, and Robinson's secretary.

Sugar Ray Probably Finished As Boxer

BY OSCAR FRALEY
United Press International

NEW YORK, May 31 — (UPI)— Fearless Fraley's facts and figures:

Sugar Ray Robinson's plea that he can't fight again this year because of the tax bite is taken as a sure sigh by boxing insiders that he will never enter the ring again.

They point out that Robinson was completely exhausted after regaining the middleweight crown from Carmen Basilio and that if he holds off until 1959, he would be another year older and it would be that much more difficult to get back into shape. They figure he'll milk the title of its "outside" income and then step down.

Meanwhile, Basilio won't stand idly by in the hope that he and Robinson can get together for another jackpot brawl. He'll attend the Vince Martinez - Virgil Akins runoff at St. Louis on Friday for the Welterweight Title which Carmen gave up when he won the 160-pound crown from Robinson. The thinking is that he will challenge the winner for the 147-pound derby while outwaiting Robinson.

If you wonder why not at the way the New York Yankees keep winning year after here, there's a significant tipoff in the most recent Yankee report on its farm teams.

The Yank St. Petersburg, Fla., farm club started off with a 23-7 record and a five-game lead in the Florida State League; it's Denver Triple-A club won 19 of its first 23, and its Fargo, N. D., Garden got away to a blooming 12-4 start . . . chips off the old block. . . .

Jack Kramer, the pro tennis titan, was startled to note that his current tourists were using 35 per cent more balls than ever before. Investigation disclosed that, despite the great number of matches, the players were practicing more than ever.

Pancho Gonzales explained the extra work. "Players like Lew Hoad improve 20 to 30 per cent on the pro tour," he said. "Now there is so much pro talent they're all struggling to stay alive. So everybody practices more either to keep his edge or to catch up to the other fellow. I figure I've still got a small percentage over the others — but I have to work to keep it." . . . which still doesn't explain why a postman takes a walk on his day off . . .

The Carter Handicap, run at Belmont Park Saturday, in 1944 produced the first triple dead heat ever recorded in a stakes race when Bossuet, Wait A Bit, and Brownie All hit the wire nose-and-nose. There have been only six triple dead heats in North American turf history . . . there was a triple dead heat at Ruidoso Downs last year but it meant little to the bettors . . . It was for fourth place. . . .

Robin Hood was an Englishman and William Tell was a Swiss but the world archery champions come from the United States. They are O. K. Smathers of Brevard, N. C., and Arole Meinhart of Pittsburgh, who will lead 33 finalists in a runoff at St. Louis next weekend for places on the U. S. team to compete at the Brussels World Fair . . . but I still don't think William Tell said "An apple a day keeps the doctor away." . . .

The nation's top golf pros, getting ready for the U. S. Open at Tulsa June 12-14, still insist that "You drive for show but you putt for dough."

Mike Souchak, one of the top money winners of 1956, blames poor putting for his bad showing at the cashier's window this year. Mike asserts that losing his touch on the greens hurt his iron game because he pressed in trying to hit his approaches closer to the pin.

Meanwhile, both Dick Mayer Mayer and Tommy Bolt claim that if Ben Hogan recaptures his putting touch "There's going to be a big scramble for second place." . . . proving that everybody still fears the little iceman.

Story of Heavyweight Champion's Career

Two Persons Have Directed Patterson's Life

Second of a Series

Post Times Herald Washington D.C.

By Milton Gross
(With Anthony Scaduto and Leonard Katz)

FIGHTING CAME easier to world heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson than the fundamental business of living. One was almost natural, the second was mechanical. Yet such an overpowering parallel exists that one must know the influences exerted upon him by two people who were strikingly different but produced such a startlingly similar effect.

Patterson

One is Cus D'Amato, his manager. The other was Vivien Costen. D'Amato is a monastic bachelor, who once lived in the back room of a gym with a vicious police dog as his only companion and protector. Miss Costen was an old-maid school teacher who devoted her life to the rehabilitation of disturbed and backward boys.

D'Amato molded Patterson in the grimy, stench-ridden Gramercy Park Gym. Miss Costen taught at Wiltwyck School, a farm for incorrigible boys, where the feeling of rejection hangs heavily over the children assigned there by social workers.

Acting separately and several years apart, they eliminated Patterson's doubts and fears. They substituted attention, devotion and encouragement. Together they altered a youngster who wanted to run and hide from the world into one who tried to live in it. D'Amato produced the champion, but without the earlier influence of Miss Costen, who died last year, there would have been no Floyd Patterson as we know him today.

Of Miss Costen, Floyd says: "She gave me confidence in myself. She told me I could do something over my protests. I tried to please her and sure enough she was right. I could do it."

Of D'Amato, Floyd says: "Cus built my confidence. He got me to the point where I believed in myself. There were things he showed me and times when I felt I couldn't do them. But Cus encouraged me and told me I could do it and sure enough I could."

When Patterson was sent to Wiltwyck he was 11, a truant and a budding juvenile delinquent, who already had had several brushes with the law. He could not read. He would not talk when addressed. He had a definite feeling of inferiority and sought the darkness of cellars and movie houses as a refuge. According to Walter Johnson, resident director at the school, Floyd was "one of the lost children." Perhaps he would have continued to be, except for Miss Costen. She was the first to draw Patterson from his self-protecting shell.

"The only adult whom Floyd trusted and loved was this old maid school teacher," Johnson recalls. "He hated school when he came here and would hide somewhere on our 350 acres. We couldn't find him, but he needed his relationship with Miss Costen so badly he'd come to school just to be near her. She reciprocated that feeling. She bought him clothes, special treats and gave him the affection he needed. We thought she was making too much of a pet of Floyd. Floyd was here a year and a half—and Miss Costen left about the same time Floyd did. She told me later that one of the reasons she left was because of Floyd."

"She was like a mother to me," says Floyd, now that he can face this bewildering period in his life without shame. "She gave me individual instruction and I began to catch on. I was learning to read. I even liked school. I continued to see her after I left Wiltwyck. I'd go to her every time I had a problem."

One problem at Wiltwyck was getting Patterson to join in group activities. Boxing classes were part of the therapy program, but Floyd never volunteered to participate—at least, not until Miss Costen taught him the pleasure of being like the others.

"At first," Johnson recalls, "Floyd was very skeptical. 'I don't like boxing. I don't want to go to the gym,' he told me. I don't want to fight.'

"I asked him, 'Are you afraid?'

"He answered, 'No,' "

When Floyd's mother visited the school she noticed the other boys in the activity. "Maybe boxing will be good for my boy," she suggested. "Maybe it will help him get the chip off his shoulder and make him like the other kids."

"We practically had to force Floyd into the ring," Johnson says. "First he watched a few bouts and then agreed to fight. Aside from his relationship with Miss Costen, it was the first display of enthusiasm I'd ever seen shown by the boy. He won easily in all his bouts. He became a popular boy in camp."

In one of his rare letters to his home in the Bedford-Stuyvesant slum tenement where the large Patterson family lived at the time, Floyd wrote: "Tell brothers I'll join them in the ring some day."

The brothers are Bill, who became a pro welterweight, but retired because of a detached retina after 16 bouts, and Frank who won a Golden Gloves middleweight title in 1949. They are the two in the brood of 11 born to Thomas and Annabelle Patterson who are older than the 22-year-old heavyweight champion. His uncle Charley Brown also was a fighter.

The interest in boxing nurtured at Wiltwyck grew at home when Floyd returned to Brooklyn in 1947. He went with his brothers to the Carlton YMCA and mimicked them in backyards, cellar and bedroom. "He'd hit the light string that hung from the ceiling." Mrs. Patterson remembers. "He'd stand in front of the mirror watching himself boxing or he'd punch a pillow." By the time Floyd was nearing 15 his brothers began to train at the Gramercy Park Gym, run by D'Amato.

Any boy could train under D'Amato and it would cost him nothing. If, however, he wanted to fight as an amateur and later as a pro then he became D'Amato's fighter. This was understood. What D'Amato had to make Patterson understand, however, was the fighter's fear of fear.

"Fear is the thing they all have to contend with," D'Amato explained. "I try to alleviate these fears. I tell them death can't be that bad. The imagination is what makes it tough."

'It's the Real Thing'

Patterson Secretly Fighting Every 2 Months, Hurley Declares

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 26 (AP)—Promoter Jack Hurley says heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson is secretly meeting top fighters in full-scale 15-round bouts to keep in shape.

In an interview with Examiner sports columnist Melvin Durslag, published today, Hurley said the bouts take place every two months at Patterson's training camp at Greenwood Lake, N. Y.

Floyd Patterson

"It's the real thing, too," said Hurley, who promoted Patterson's last title bout with Pete Rademacher. "They weigh in, use 6-ounce gloves, schedule the fight for 15 rounds . . . the whole works.

"These heavyweights are paid anywhere from $3000 to $5000 for their work. What difference does it make to Patterson? This is all tax money.

"The experience is doing wonders for Floyd. Where the guy used to depend only on his speed, he's now developing a big punch. He's going to be champion until at least 1967."

Hurley, who is a close friend of Patterson's manager, Gus D'Amato, defended the manager against charges that his feud with the International Boxing Club, headed by James D. Norris, is hurting the fight game by keeping Patterson idle.

"Patterson's manager knows what he's doing," said Hurley. "If the title were held by an IBC man do you think Patterson would get a chance? Because of taxes Floyd can fight only twice a year, just like Marciano (Rocky Marciano, former heavyweight champion) did.

"Floyd had two fights last year and he'll have two this year. He's right on schedule. What's all the commotion?"

In New York, D'Amato refused to confirm Hurley's story.

"I don't want to comment at this time," said D'Amato. "However, if we were doing this, it wouldn't be the first time."

Before the title match with Archie Moore, D'Amato claimed Patterson had several "real fights" with ranking heavyweights. D'Amato said at that time the ranking fighters were told to try to knock out Patterson but none lasted more than three rounds.

Patterson To Fight In London

Champion Signs For Bout With Joe Erskine

By JACK CUDDY

New York, Jan. 27 (UP)—Heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson reached virtual agreement Monday to defend his crown against Welshman Joe Erskine in London in late June, provided Erskine first can win the European championship.

Patterson's announcement came under immediate fire from Julius Helfand, chairman of the World Boxing Committee, because Erskine is not one of the top-ranked contenders.

Bout Is Obstacle

Cus D'Amato, manager of Patterson, and independent British promoter Harry Levene made announcement of an "agreement in principle" for the London bout, which D'Amato said means "only a few minor things remain to be settled."

The big stumbling block to what would be Britain's first heavyweight title fight in exactly 50 years is a February 21 bout in Stockholm between Erskine, holder of the British and Empire heavyweight crowns, and Sweden's unbeaten Ingamar Johansson, the European champion. Erskine has to win that one, and right now he's 3-1 underdog.

A bout against Erskine would be Patterson's third defense of the world crown that he won by knocking out Archie Moore on November 30, 1956. He defended it by kayo wins over Tommy "Hurricane" Jackson on July 29, 1957, and against Olympic champion Pete Rademacher on August 22, 1957.

Promoter Levene said Wembley Stadium is a likely site for a Patterson-Erskine match with a 70,000 crowd a possibility. Erskine has lost only once in 33 professional fights, a one-round technical knockout by Cuba's Nino Valdes on February 19, 1957.

Floyd Patterson Agrees To Defend Title In London

NEW YORK — (INS) — Heavyweight champion Floyd Patterson agreed Tuesday to defend his title in London late in June, but he may warm up for the bout with an April defense in the U. S.

Cus D'Amato, Patterson's manager, and British promoter Harry Levene reached an agreement on the London fight, presumably against British Empire champion Joe Erskine.

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Erskine will get the fight if he defeats Ingemar Johansson of Sweden at Stockholm on Feb. 21. Another possible opponent for the London bout is Pete Rademacher, the Olympic champion Patterson kayoed in six rounds last August.

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Financial terms were not disclosed, but the fight probably will be held at Wembley Stadium in London, which has an 85,000 capacity.

After his agreement with Leven, D'Amato admitted that he was negotiating for an April title fight in the U. S. D'Amato wouldn't name the opponent but he said "It might not be a top-ranked contended."

D'Amato's plans were frowned upon by Julius Helfand, New York State Athletic chairman and president of the World Boxing Committee.

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Helfand said the World Committee requires title defenses against one of the three top contenders. The three top heavy contenders are Eddie Machen, Zora Folley and Willie Pastrano.

Machen meets Folley in San Francisco on March 17 and the winner is expected to issue a "challenge" to the champion.

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If Patterson fights in London it will be the first heavyweight championship bout outside of the U. S since Oct. 22, 1933 when Primo Carnera defended his title in Rome against Paulino Uzcudun.

Patterson, who won his title on Nov. 30, 1956 by Kayoing Archie Moore in Chicago, made two defenses in 1957.

He stopped Hurricane Jackson and Rademacher.

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D'Amato claimed that Erskine "put himself in line by defeating all the other fighters over there except Johansson."

Cuba's Nino Valdes scored a one-round knockout over Erskine in London on Feb. 19, 1957.

Patterson Sees Race Progress

FLOYD PATTERSON GUEST AT INTERRACIAL FORUM

NEW YORK — (ANP) — "Although there have been some recent setbacks, the overall interracial situation is improving and opportunities for Negroes are constantly increasing," world heavyweight boxing champion Floyd Patterson told the Catholic Interrracial Forum here last week.

Patterson, who has successfully defended his title in several championship fights, said he believed also that prominent athletes and other popular figures could help interracial harmony by giving it their public support. The example of Jackie Robinson, he said, has helped to break down barriers in many fields.

At the well attended forum which included Lawrence Pierce, president of the Brooklyn Catholic Interracial council and Lloyd Davis executive secretary of the Catholic Interracial Council of Chicago, the "champ" answered questions about himself and his conversion to the Catholic faith.

Discussing his conversion, Patterson disclosed that he was introduced to the church by his wife who is Catholic and the Rev. Archibald V. McLees, his parish priest and chaplain of the Brooklyn Catholic Interracial council. He explained that he has always been somewhat familier with the church since his brothers and sisters attended Our Lady of Victory parochial school in Brooklyn.

In answer to a question, Patterson commented thta he had never felt the effects of bias in the boxing profession. He hopes that eventually all professions will be as willing to judge a men on his talents rather then his color.

WORLD TITLE WON ON 2ND SPLIT DECISION

CHICAGO — Grim executioner Sugar Ray Robinson relentlessly chopped down craggy-faced Carmen Basilio to win the middleweight title for the fifth time in a blood-bathed ring in Chicago Stadium, Tuesday night.

Stalking the defending champion as though he was a wounded tiger from the sixth round when he opened a raw wound over the eye, the Harlem Dandy found Paradise regained. It was last September that the amazing perfect boxer lost a split decision to the granite-chinned New Yorker who has never been kayoed in the ring. He was even heroic then with Paradise lost.

From the sixth round when Robinson opened up a raw cut over the defending champion's eye, it became merely a battle of raw courage as the 37-year-old challenger inflicted multiple damage on the stout heart of Basilio.

It was an astounding performance by Robinson, who many believed near trail's end following his defeat last year in Madison Square Garden.

Born Walker Smith in Detroit's teeming slums, Robinson had fought his way upwards through a series of misfortunes that would have staggered a man with lesser determination. It was this fierce competive instinct that fired Sugar Ray in his unprecedented bid for his fifth world middleweight title.

It was a heavy Sugar Ray that entered the ring at 159 3-4 pounds against a lighter 153-pound Basilio. But the story was that of a good big man against a game little man.

For Robinson stalked Basilio like a hunted fugitive from the opening bell and never permitted his foe to utilize any of his crouching, jabbing tactics which won in their initial meeting.

Basilio fought with a bloody, raw, closed eye from the sixth round and his vision was obscured by the repeated jabs by Robinson to the wound.

Employing all of the cunning and tenacity which has made him a ring legend, Robinson was in command before an audience which had repeatedly seen him display boxing's finest techniques.

The astounding Sugar Ray, a man to reckon with in return bouts, carried the fight to Basilio from the opening round. He repeatedly feinted, parried, and outmaneuvered his tired opponent to win the split-decision.

Basilio was a spent and battered loser at the finish, but the most exacting toll was taken in a wild and furious fifteenth round when it was all heart and courage that kept him from going down before rallying and strong Sugar Ray.

At the official weigh-in Tuesday, Robinson tipped the scales at 159 3-4 pounds to 153 for Basilio. Neither man made any statement during the weighing-in ceremonies.

There were lights and shadows which shrouded the outcome of the match. Former welterweight champion Barney Ross had predicted that Basilio would retain his crown. Ross said Basilio had too much youth on his side. Basilio is 30 years old while Robinson is 37.

Basilio dethroned Sugar Ray September 23, 1957 in Yankee Stadium, in a bitterly contested 15 round battle which was hairline close.

It was the fifth try by Sugar Ray for the middleweight championship of the world.

FIGHT SCALES EXAMINED

There was some doubt that Robinson would make the weight limit As a result Basilio's managers had the scales thoroughly examined by two deputies from the Chicago City sealer's office. The first test showed the scales to be one-quarter ounce under, but this was corrected before Robinson turned up.

The International Boxing Club, which promoted the fight, had set its gun-sights on breaking the old indoor gate set July 16, 1947 by the Tony Zale-Rocky Graziano fight in the same stadium.

The bout was not telecast but was viewed in 174 theater-television locations in the United States and Canada. Millions of fans heard the outcome via radio over the Columbia Broadcasting system.

Sugar Ray had nearly 18 years of fighting service behind him on entering the ring.

NEVER WON IN CHICAGO

Basilio had never won a fight in Chicago while Robinson considered it his lucky city. The middleweight champion had fought three unsuccessful bouts in the Windy City without success.

The record books shows Sugar Ray won the middleweight crown in Chicago, successfully defended it there, and regained the title in the Windy City twice.

Robinson's middleweight record shows he won it there from Jake La Motta, lost it to England's Randy Turpin, retained it from Turpin, and then let it go by retirement. Returned to the ring knocking out Bobo Olson, lost it to Gene Fullmer, knocked out Fullmer in return, and then lost it to Basilio.

The gladiators entered the ring like a couple of circus horses, in a darkened house and pin-pointing spotlights.

Robinson entered first, a symphony in purple sateen. He had trouble getting down the aisle, so jammed was the area. Frank Sinatra was sitting thereabouts. Ray got a good hand but not as voluminous as that of the gnarled and mashed-looking Basilio, dressed like a white-frocked monk.

Joe Louis, Barney Ross and Tony Zale were among those introduced, to thunderous acclaim, after Phil Regan had achieved a latter day miracle by persuading 20,000 mugs to sing their National Anthem.

The referee was Frank Sikora and the judges John Bray and Spike McAdams.

The classic Robinson won almost as he pleased against a man who had to fight with the vision of a single eye for the final nine rounds of the brawl.

But Referee Frank Sikora rewarded Basilio's brave aggressiveness by voting for him , 69 points to 66. Judge John Bray had Robinson ahead 71 to 64, and Judge Spike McAdams saw it as 72-64 in Robinson's favor. That was enough to preserve Robinson's record of never having lost twice to a man, and cement his reputation as a man who has won titles more often than Barbara Hutton.

Sugar Ray Is Given Honor By Magazine

NEW YORK —(AP)— Sugar Ray Robinson's reconquest of the middleweight championship earned the New York marvel the "fighter of the month" honor in the monthly Ring magazine boxing ratings released today.

Robinson's victory over Carmen Basilio, featherweight king Hogan (Kid) Bassey's successful title defense against Mexico's Richardo (Little Bird) Moreno and many other important bouts in the past month resulted in a shuffling of the ratings in most divisions.

The middleweight division, in particular, saw several shifts. Basilio took over several shifts. Basilio took over Robinson's No. 1 spot among the contenders. Holly Mims' upset over Spider Webb moved Mims, of Washington, back into the elite 10 at the No. 7 spot. Webb, of Chicago, fell from third to sixth. Charley Humez of France advanced from fifth to third and Roray Calhoun of White Plains, N. Y., was boosted from sixth to fifth.

Light - heavyweight champion Archie Moore, who has been banging heavyweights for "walking around" money, was boosted back into the heavyweight list. Ole Archie was given the No. 4 position and undefeated Roy Harris of Cut and Shoot, Tex., moved from fourth to fifth. Pat McMurtry of Tacoma, Wash., was knocked out of the top 10.

In the light-heavy division, New York's Tony Anthony, who stopped Canada's Yvon Durelle, was promoted from fourth to second, and the Canadian was dropped from second to fourth. Yolande Pompey of Trinidad, stopped by middleweight Calhoun, fell from third to seventh. Erich Schoppner of Germany was promoted from fifth to third. South Africa's Mike Holt came out of nowhere to fifth after beating Italy's Artenio Calazavra.

Victories by Vingil Akins over Isaac Logart, Sugar Hart over Tombstone Smith, and Young Micky Crawford over Gil Turner, brought these changes in the welterweight class:

Logart, of Cuba, fell from second to third in an exchange with vince Martinez of Paterson, N. J.; Hart, of Philadelphia, advanced from tenth to fifth; Turner, of Philadelphia dropped from sixth to seventh; Crawford of Saginaw, Mich., was ranked for the first time in the No. 9 position, and Mexico's Gaspar Ortega advanced from seventh to fourth.

Sugar Ray Demands $600,000 For Next Middleweight Defense

Herald Service

Sugar Ray Robinson brought the middleweight crown back to New York today and immediately demanded a guarantee of at least $600,000 for its defense.

The demand was announced by Attorney Martin J. Machat shortly after Robinson and his entourage stepped off a train from Chicago, where Sugar Ray had won the title the fifth time in Tuesday's battle with Carmen Basilio.

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Machat also disclosed that Sugar Ray now is "an employe" of Robinson Theatrical and Sports Promotions, Inc., which was organized last January. The organization is negotiating now for the champion to make at least four movies in the United States and Mexico.

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Sugar Ray is president of the outfit; but when it sells his services to a fight promoter or other employer, Ray's corporation collects the money and pays him.

Only half of his Chicago purse will be given him now by his corporation, and the remainder paid in installments over the next four years. That procedure—as in the cases of several movie stars—will accomplish savings on income taxes.

Meanwhile, at Chicago, Basilio underwent minor surgery on his battered left eye but got the good news there was no damage to the eyeball or retina.

Immediately, Basilio expressed a desire to meet Robinson a third time.

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"Even with one eye, I hurt him a couple of times and I know I could finish the job the next time," said Basilio.

"But I guess the guy will quit on me now."

Dr. Richard A. Perritt commended Basilio's handlers for not attempting any ringside surgery on Carmen's ballooning eye lid during the fight.

Trainer Angelo Dundee, of Miami, in Basilio's corner, said he had to make a "split-second decision" when the eye started to puff at the start of the sixth round.

"I had a razor blade — a sterile one—with me," said Dundee. "In fact, I cut my finger with it putting it into my pocket. But when I examined the eye, it looked like a hemmorhage inside and I knew I couldn't cut it."

Dr. Perritt said if the lid had been lanced, an infection would have been risked not only to the lid itself, but to veins around the eye leading to the brain.

Cerebral thrombosis and permanent damage to the eye could have resulted, he said.

Robinson offers self to IBC in new maneuver

NEW YORK — Sugar Ray Robinson formed a new corporation somewhere between the Chicago Stadium ring and the Madison Square Garden offices of the International Boxing Club last week, and came up with an unusual maneuver to solve his problems with the Internal Revenue Bureau.

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The world's middleweight champion called on Harry Markson, managing director of the IBC, Friday, and said the Ray Robinson Sports and Theatre Enterprises was ready to offer one of its prize employees to the boxing outfit for service in a title fight this summer.

Baltimore Sun

The prize talent, he continued in way of explanation, is Sugar Ray Robinson.

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WITH THIS SETUP Robinson figures he can afford to ask for $600,000 to defend the title he possessed for the fifth time when he took a decision over Carmen Basilio Tuesday. If Robinson fights for $600,000 the money would go to the corporation, which would give him half the purse at the time and the remainder in installments over four years.

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THIS WILL be a dandy income - tax - saving plan, provided the Internal Revenue people are willing to go along with it.

The tax people have gone along with such corporations formed by Hollywood stars and writers.

Robinson has not disclosed how much of the $256,469 he earned for the corporation, of which he's president, was paid him immediately.

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AT ANY RATE the same 30 per cent cut that was taken by Basilio under the terms of the return - bout contract was much less than the more than $600,000 Robinson earned in last September's meeting with his frequent ring companion.

That's what gave Robinson the idea it's worth $600,000 for him to fight again. He's open to offers at that price.

ILLINOIS PREP CHAMPIONS — Here is the Marshall High school basketball team that won the Illinois state prep title, last Sautrday at Champaign, defeating Rock Falls, 70 to 64. Marshall is the first crown in the 7 years the teams have been competing in the tourney. DuSable finisred second in 1954, and Dunbar third in 1955. Left to right, kneeling, are: M. C. Thompson, George Wilson, and Steve Thomas. Standing are: Capt. Tyrone Johnson, Coach Isadore Salario and Bobby Jones. (Defender photo.)

After Basilio Win

Money Troubles May Be Behind Sugar Robinson

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NEW YORK—Sugar Ray Robinson, who has the middleweight championship back in his grasp for the fifth time, this week appears to be on the threshold of future financial security.

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In regaining the 160-pound crown for the fourth time with a decisive 15-round victory over Carmen Basilio, the 37-year-old champion appears to have left his financial worries behind him.

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WHEN ROBINSON came out of retirement in 1954 after two years of inactivity, he was a man whose bank supply was almost dry. The Government was pressing him for back taxes and it appeared as though Robinson, like Joe Louis, another great champion of the past, was destined for a life of being chased by the Government's tax agency.

Even as late as Robinson's first fight with Basilio, the Government was still on his trail about taxes. After that bout the income tax people stepped in and grabbed most of the purse.

The story was different last week. There was nobody around to attach a part of the $83,432.40 Robinson received as his share of the gate. Nobody is expected to grab any of the loot that is still to come in from radio and movie rights to the fight.

And that's not all. Now that he has his cherished championship back, Sugar Ray, always the shrewd business man, is back in the driver's seat.

He let it be known after regaining his title from Basilio that he would be willing to fight the Syracuse battler again, but only for his (Ray's) price . . . which is a whopping $600,000.

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IF THE next meeting between the two does as well as most experts think, Robinson figures to get his price. It has been disclosed that the newly formed Robinson Theatrical and Sports Promotions, Inc. (a company in which Robinson receives a weekly salary) has sold the International Boxing Club Robinson's services for the next fight for 42½ per cent. That, coupled with other sources of revenue from a return engagement between the two, should make Robinson a rich man.

A return meeting between Basilio and Robinson isn't the only source of income awaiting the champion. European promoters in England and Italy are clamoring for Sugar's services. He has been offered a tour of Japan. Hollywood is dickering for his services in an upcoming movie. Money seems to be everywhere.

Meanwhile, it appears as if a return Robinson-Basilio match will have to wait until September in order for the champion to capitalize on some of his other money making ventures.

While the IBC is anxious to get the next meeting on between the two gladiators as soon as possible, fans all over the country are still talking about last week's thrilling bout.

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ROBINSON, OF course, is the main topic of conversation. The brilliant ringmaster was still being hailed as the greatest fighting machine of this century after his convincing 15-round victory.

Basilio, with one eye completely closed, was virtually at Robinson's mercy after the sixth round. So convincing was Robinson's triumph that Judge John Bray had him winning 76-64 on points and 11-4 in rounds. Spike McAdams, the other judge, scored in 72-64 and had Robinson winning 11-3-1 in rounds.

Biggest mystery of the fight was how Referee Frank Sikora could score the match for Basilio. Sikora had Basilio winning 69-66. He had Basilio winning 9-5-1 in rounds.

Conquering Hero—Sugar Ray Robinson, who once again became king of the middleweight division with a thrilling 15-round victory over Carmen Basilio in Chicago last week, smiles broadly as he is fitted with his new crown by his co-manager, Harold (Killer) Johnson of Chicago, just before departing for New York.

Pick Sugar As Fighter Of Month

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NEW YORK — Sugar Ray Robinson, the ageless wonder who regained his middleweight championship lost week, was named Friday as Ring Magazine's "Fighter of Tre Month."

Hogan (Kid) Bassey of Nigeria, who successfully defended his featherweight title Tuesday, was runner-up to Robinson in the race for the monthly award.

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Carmen Basilio, by losing to Robinson, became the top-ranked challenger for Sugar Ray's title. Gene Fullmer, another ex-champ, is right behind Basilio.

Garnett (Sugar) Hart of Philadelphia, with a win over Charley (Tombstone) Smith of Los Angeles, jumped from tenth to fifth among welterweight contenders.

Archie Moore, the world light-heavyweight king who once again is competing successfully against heavyweights, has been ranked fourth among the big men.

Sugar Ray's Sermon

Carmen Basilio's plastic surgeon will undoubtedly agree with the prevailing judgment that Sugar Ray Robinson is one of the finest boxers of all time.

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Certainly, at his age (he will be 38 in May) he is the most successful has-been the ring has ever known. He has won the championship crown

five times now and we confidently expect him to be making successful comebacks until he is eligible for Social Security.

'The Lord's Work'

But having said this much it is necessary once again to question Robinson's gifts as a theologian. After each winning fight — including the Tuesday night reshaping of Carmen's features — Sugar Ray has modestly denied that he had anything to do with the victory.

He is, he confesses, merely an instrument of Divine Will and the prayers of his followers. The grotesque mess that was Basilio's face was all part of the Lord's plan, we are told.

As we have remarked before, Sugar Ray is not the only victim of the "divine fallacy." Nor is it common only in the ring—Basilio himself believes in the efficacy of prayer in smiting his enemies—but it has been common to civilizations since the dawn of human history. Bertrand Russell has written that the belief by people and civilizations that they are special instruments of the Divine Will is "one of the most interesting and harmful delusions."

Since the world began, aggressors have almost always believed their depredations were ordained, if not by a vengeful god then by some ineluctable process to set things aright. The Israelites believed it in their invasion of the Promised Land. Rome knew that its conquest of the world was directed by the gods. Cromwell had no doubts but that his was the arm of the Almighty in suppressing Catholics. Andrew Jackson was God's special agent of "Manifest Destiny" in freeing this continent from the Sabbath-breaking Spaniards.

It is now generally forgotten, but Karl Marx also claimed the sword of the Lord. Hegel thought Germany had been selected for a holy mission. In World War I, both sides were claiming holy auspices.

And so on to Tuesday night when both Basilio and Robinson expected help from heaven. On their previous meeting Carmen got it, for which he thanked the Lord. Tuesday, Robinson got it and promptly allowed, as he had last May when he clobbered Fullmer, that it was handiwork from on high.

Of course the losses can always be explained by crooked judges or a lucky punch—God proposes but man disposes. But as Russell points out in his famous essay, *Ideas That Have Harmed Mankind*, it must be confusing to those who think heaven is with them to "find the enemy equally convinced of the opposite."

Sugar Regains Title on Split Vote

CHICAGO, March 25 (AP) — Incredible Sugar Ray Robinson won the world middleweight title for the fifth time tonight as he closed champion Carmen Basilio's left eye in the sixth round and took a split 15-round decision in a brutal fight before a capacity crowd in Chicago Stadium.

Basilio, making his first defense since he dethroned Robinson in New York last Sept. 23, was a gargoyle-like fighting gnome peering out of one eye for the last 10 rounds of the bitter scrap.

Robinson, who now has recaptured the 160-pound crown four times, tried desperately to knock out his courageous little foe, but although he jolted him time after time he never floored him.

Summoning tremendous courage, Basilio even stunned Sugar Ray several times in the fierce battle.

Both judges voted for Robinson under the five-point must system by decisive margins. But Referee Frank Sikora called it for Basilio, 69-66.

In the New York bout, the referee voted for Robinson and the two judges called it for Basilio. Judge John Bray went for Robinson, 71-64, and Judge Frank McAdams gave it to Sugar Ray, 72-64.

The Associated Press card had Robinson winning, 70-63.

Robinson weighed 159¾ pounds and Basilio 153.

Turning Point in 5th

The turning point came late in the fifth round when Robinson scored a jolting left to the jaw and then crashed a right high to the head which started closing Basilio's left eye.

By the time the sixth round started, there was scarcely a slit in the champion's puffed left eye. It seemed it would be only a short time before Robinson would blast his handicapped opponent to the canvas.

But Basilio fought savagely in round after round. Robinson was content to jab at long range through the seventh and eighth rounds. Then in the ninth, Basilio fought with renewed fury and Sugar Ray seemed to tire.

The 10th and 11th proved the most exciting rounds of the match. Basilio hurt Robinson with a left to the jaw and a moment later with a whistling right to the head. But Robinson wound up the 10th with a vicious combination that stunned the champion.

In the 11th, both fighters cut loose with punishing blows. But each time one was hurt, he fought back with fury.

In both the 12th and 13th rounds, the champion—fighting purely from instinct—and the stalking challenger flayed away with jarring punches.

Crowd Senses Kill

In the 14th, Robinson staggered

Ray Robinson

Basilio twice and the crowd, sensing the kill, screamed for a knockout. But the round ended with Basilio bobbing and weaving low as Robinson swished at him with punches that failed to hit their mark. In the 15th, Robinson tried desperately for a knockout but Basilio hung on and the round closed with Sugar Ray and the champion draped over the ropes with Robinson looking at the clock.

Although there appeared to be a standing room crowd, the sponsoring International Boxing Club announced the attendance as 17,976 with a gross gate of $351,955 and a net of $278,108.

This fell considerably short of the indoor fight record gate of $422,918 at the 1947 middleweight title bout between Tony Zale and Rocky Graziano in the same ring. A crowd of 18,547 attended that fight.

Each fighter tonight collected 30 per cent of the net gate, an estimated $300,000 from closed circuit TV and $30,000 from the national radio broadcast.

Official Cards Show Vote On Sugar Ray Decision

CHICAGO, March 25 (AP)—Official cards of tonight's Carmen Basilio-Sugar Ray Robinson middleweight title fight in Chicago Stadium:

Judge John Bray:															
Basilio	5	5	4	5	4	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	64
Robinson	4	4	5	4	5	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	71
Judge Frank McAdams:															
Basilio	5	5	4	4	4	4	5	4	4	5	4	4	4	4	64
Robinson	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	72
Referee Frank Sikora:															
Basilio	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	4	4	69
Robinson	4	4	5	4	5	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	66
The Associated Press:															
Basilio	5	5	4	5	3	3	4	4	5	5	5	5	4	3	63
Robinson	4	4	5	4	5	5	5	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	70

Basilio and Robinson Formally Sign for Title Fight

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Joe Louis separates Carmen Basilio, left, and Ray Robinson after they signed in Chicago

CHICAGO, Jan. 23 (UP)—The middleweight champion, Carmen Basilio, and a former titleholder, Ray (Sugar) Robinson, signed formal contracts today for a fifteen-round title bout March 25. Each figures to pick up more than a quarter of a million dollars for his appearance.

Each fighter will get 30 per cent of the net gate. They will share revenues from theater television, movie rights and network radio rights.

Theater television alone has guaranteed $275,000 and will make 500,000 seats available for the show, which will not be on home television. The sale of tickets to attend the bout in the Chicago Stadium can produce more than $400,000 net to be cut up between the fighters.

Thus adding radio and movie rights, and anticipating a good ticket sale for both live and theater attendance, the total net can run well over $750,000. If the bout sells out, the gross will be $560,000.

Robinson Sets Up Shop For Basilio Bout

CHICAGO, March 18 (AP)—Challenger Sugar Ray Robinson & Co. arrived in his lucky fightown today for his title rematch with Middleweight Champion Carmen Basilio a week from tonight in the Chicago Stadium.

Robinson's entourage of 14 included Co-Manager George Gainford, who promptly said Sugar Ray has become so irked at Basilio's demand for a "fair" officiating shake that he will knock him out within five rounds.

"That way Robinson will make certain there will be no question of Basilio hollering about being robbed," said Gainford.

Basilio, who arrived yesterday and this morning jogged with a Japanese judo expert, claims Illinois officiating and not any Chicago jinx mainly was responsible for him losing all of his three previous bouts here.

Basilio's companion for roadwork around a baseball diamond in Garfield Park was Chuck Okamura, who is training for the National AAU Judo Championships April 12-13.

Robinson let others do most of the talking when he stepped off the train with his wife, three sparring partners, two trainers, two managers, a body-guard, a lawyer, a barber, a publicitor, his personal physician and a fellow named Soldier Jones.

However, Robinson, who won the middleweight title three different times in Chicago, suggested that Basilio didn't suffer from officiating in New York last Sept. 23 when Sugar Ray was shorn of his 160 pound crown in a fierce 15-round battle.

"If that other fight had been here in Chicago, I would have won it," said Robinson. "One of the judges in New York even voted for me. They wouldn't have taken it away from me here, but they did in New York."

All of this, of course, is part of the buildup for the big rematch which will be televised only on a theater circuit and which the sponsoring International Boxing Club thinks will break the indoor record gate of $422,918 by Tony Zale and Rocky Graziano in the Staudium in 1947.

Herald Tribune—United Press

AGREE ON TERMS—Ex-middleweight champion Sugar Ray Robinson and Jim Norris, head of the I. B. C., after Ray signed to meet Carmen Basilio for title in Chicago, March 25.

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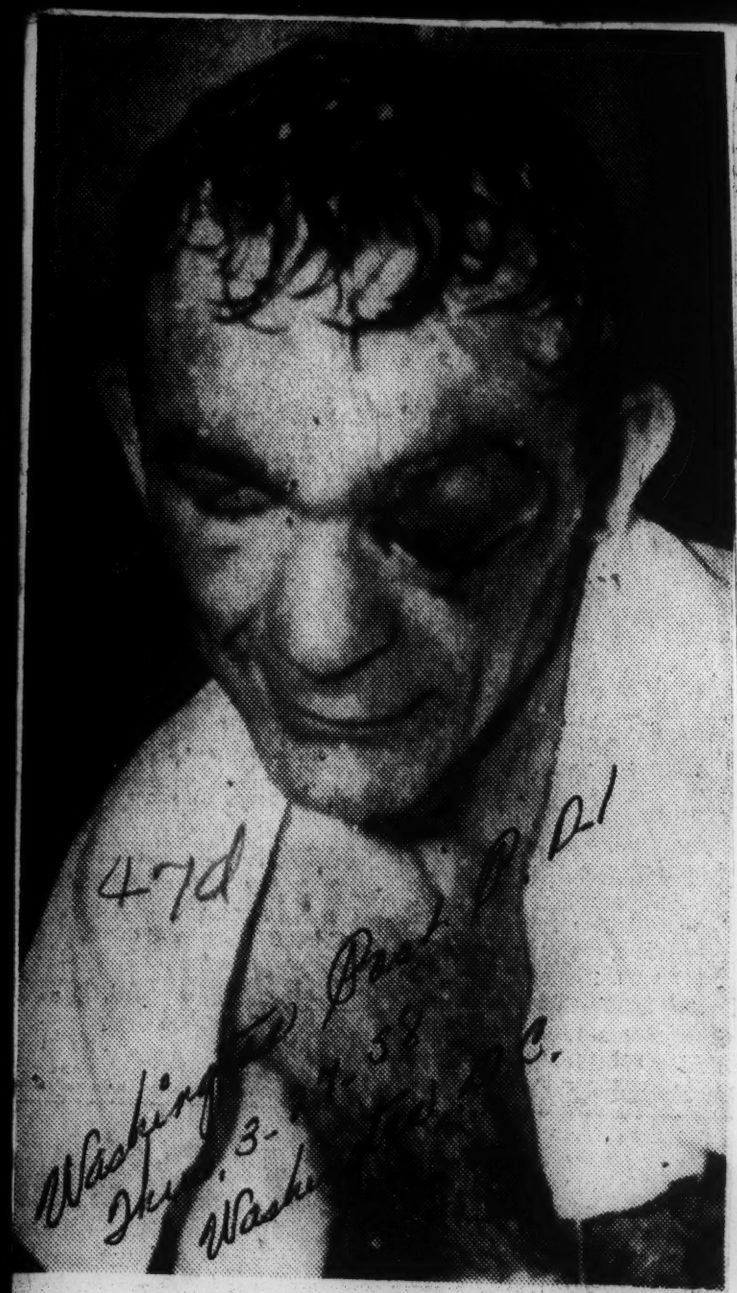

Associated Press

Jeepers, Weepers What a Peeper

Carmen Basilio tries manfully to spread a smile over his battered features after losing his world middleweight championship to Sugar Ray Robinson in Chicago. Basilio's left eye was closed by a Robinson punch in the sixth round.

Eye Specialist Sends Basilio to Hospital

CHICAGO, March 25 (AP)—An eye specialist today placed dethroned middleweight champion Carmen Basilio in a hospital for observation. It was done to avoid further complications in his greatly swollen left eye, injured as he lost the title to Sugar Ray Robinson.

Basilio, who fought with his left eye puffed completely closed in the final 10 rounds, was examined by Dr. Richard A. Perritt of Chicago at the insistence of Basilio's wife, Kay.

Dr. Perritt reportedly said nothing was seriously wrong with the eye which hemorrhaged internally during the bout. But he suggested it be observed at Wesley Memorial Hospital. Basilio will be there for two or three days.

"The eye itself is not involved. There has been a massive hemorrhage around the eye and we want Mr. Basilio to be hospitalized for observation and treatment."

Trainer Debated Lancing

Trainer Angelo Dundee, in Basilio's corner, said he would have lanced the eye, puffed to egg size, except that it was hemorraghing internally.

Joe Netro, one of Basilio's managers, said the ex-champion had a good night's sleep and that the puffiness in the eye had responded to treatments with ice packs.

Netro said the eye was bloodshot but that the skin around it, while bruised, was not broken and that no stitches were required.

Earlier today, Sugar Ray Robinson, "aching in every bone," but languidly, left his lucky fight city the conquering hero.

Champ Fifth Time

Middleweight champion for the fifth time, a quarter of a million dollars richer, Robinson entrained for New York hinting a third lucrative match with Basilio may develop next September.

Slouched in a chair in his hotel suite, Robinson held his second news conference within 12 hours after dethroning a half-blinded Basilio in a fierce Chicago Stadium title bout.

Sugar Ray, who was extremely vague about his future plans right after the fight, this noon left the door ajar to a rematch with Basilio.

He said he wouldn't consider a June bout suggested by Jim Norris, International Boxing Club president, but will talk to Norris later about a possible September match.

Sugar Exhausted

Robinson earlier had said of a June rematch, "I don't know whether there will be anything. By anything, I mean I'm seriously considering the advice of a couple of good friends."

Was this a hint of retirement from the ring? "I didn't say that," Robinson quickly added.

Robinson has some movie aspirations, too. He has an offer to go to Hollywood in May and make some screen tests. "I've read a script on the life of a Mexican bull fighter and I like it very much," said Robinson.

As to the fight, Carmen has the same financial balm for his battered visage that Robinson has for his weary bones—an approximate $256,000 purse.

Robinson, who had most of his $480,000 purse from his Sept. 23 match with Basilio tied up by the Government for back taxes, has a deferred payment deal with the IBC on last night's winnings.

Norris has arranged to pay Robinson 50 per cent of his purse on demand and the remainder over a four-year period, as a tax-easing device.

Sugar Ray Ranks Near Top Of Boxing's Money Makers

By PAT ROBINSON
International News Service Sports Writer

NEW YORK, April 7.—Along Cauliflower Row you can get a bet that only heavyweight champions Jack Dempsey, Joe Louis and Gene Tunney have made more out of the fight racket than Sugar Ray Robinson, the five times crowned middleweight king.

Twelve of Robinson's 157 fights have grossed more than $100,000, with a high of $767,626 for his title fight with Randy Turpin in the Polo Grounds. His share from that savage battle was $248,491.

His first bitter and losing battle with Carmen Basilio was $483,666, which included his cut from radio and television.

Each fighter received about $300,000 from the second fight.

Three Total $1,000,000

It is evident that just three of his fights—two with Basilio and one with Turpin—netted him more than $1,000,000. International Boxing Club officials estimate his earnings from 17 years of ring warfare well over $3,000,000.

Nobody knows, perhaps not even he, how much he is worth. It is reasonable to suppose that he could retire now at 38 and not have to worry about the mythical wolf at the door.

Robinson has had 18 world's championship bouts. He fought 11 times for the middleweight title, six for the welterweight championship and once—with Joey Maxim—for the light heavyweight bauble. That last was the one in which he collapsed from the heat after leading on points to the end of the 13th round.

In addition, he had three bouts for the Pennsylvania middleweight title before donning the world crown in that division.

There Is A Santa Claus

His welter title opponents were Tommy Bell, Jimmy Doyle, Chuck Taylor, Bernard Docusen, Kid Gavilan and Charley Fusari. The middleweights were Jake LaMotta, Randy Turpin twice, Bobo Olson three times, Rocky Graziano, Gene Fullmer twice and Basilio twice.

The Pennsylvania title affairs were with Robert Villemain, Jose Basora and the aforesaid Olson. He could have made a career of belting out Olson if the fight fans had stood still for it.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. In fact, Robinson has had two of them. Promoter Mike Jacobs through the early part of his career and now promoter Jim Norris through the later stages.

Now he is in a great spot to make another million. He can fight Basilio again, Archie Moore or he'd even take a chance with Floyd Patterson — if the price were right.

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CARMEN BASILIO

Robinson Regains Middle Title On Split Verdict Over Basilio

Incredible Sugar Ray Gains Championship For 5th Time

By CHARLES CHAMBERLAIN

CHICAGO (AP)—Sugar Ray Robinson Tuesday recaptured the midd'eweight championship for the fourth time by hammering out a 15-round split decision over Carmen Basilio.

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Both Basilio and Robinson felt each other out cautiously as the round started, then clinched and had to be broken by the referee. Basilio ducked inside then came up and clinched and both hammered each other on the neck. Twice more the referee had to separate them. And then Carmen landed a good left to Robinson's forehead. Robinson started jabbing and then Basilio crowded in landing lefts and rights to the mid-section which slowed Robinson. Basilio, boring in, connected with a left to the face and a right to the body and then stepped back. Robinson opened up in a big flurry at the bell and the referee had to send them to their corners.

Second Round

Sugar Ray lashed out with a left and right but they were not too effective. Basilio, standing more or less straight up instead of in his crouch, kept stalking Robinson, now and then dropping down to throw shots at the body. Basilio connected with a good right to the head and a left to the mid-section, and then Robinson smashed lefts and rights to the body as the champ moved in again. Robinson missed with a sharp left hook as the bell sounded.

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Before the round began, one of Robinson's handlers, Honey Brewer, jumped into Basilio's corner to look at some lotion that was being used and he was taken away forcibly.

Third Round

Basilio bobbed and weaved in the third round and then lunged, landing a good left to Robinson's face. Robinson jabbed, and danced away. Basilio was bleeding slightly from the nose. Robinson shot a smashing right that was partially blocked by Basilio's shoulder and then kept up his jabbing routine. Basilio kept leading with lefts and moving in for body shots with his right. Robinson tore into the champ's mid-section with lefts and rights then fired a good left just before the bell.

Montgomery, Ala

Fourth Round

Basilio went into his crouch, lashing out with lefts to Robinson's face and missing with an overhand right. Robinson jabbed and kept looking for a clean shot with his right as Basilio kept boring in. Robinson had a slight cut over the right eye. In one of the best exchanges, both scored well to the body. Robinson slashed out with a right uppercut to the heart but it was not strong and Basilio threw a left that bounced off Robinson's shoulder as the round ended.

Fifth Round

Basilio ducked and weaved, lashing out with his left. Robinson got in a good right to the body, then moved back. Basilio scored with a fine combination to the face but Robinson took it easily. Robinson started bleeding from the nose but there was no blood from the cut. Basilio landed with a right to the face. Robinson was short countering to the body. Robinson appeared to be getting a little tired. Robinson landed three swift lefts to Basilio, then a right that had Basilio rocking as the bell sounded.

Sixth Round

Both came out cautiously. Basilio's left eye was swollen nearly shut. Robinson uncoiled a right uppercut which grazed Basilio's jaw. Basilio shot a left to the body and a wicked right to the face. Robinson jabbed and shot a right which was a little short. Robinson started connecting with lefts. Basilio backed up and then waded in with fists flying to the body. Robinson stepped back and kept working on the champ's eye which now was closed. Basilio's handlers worked feverishly on the eye when he went to his corner when the round ended.

Seventh Round

Robinson kept up his left jabbing, waiting to shoot his right. Basilio circled, then lunged in with a left to the body. Robinson missed with a whistling right uppercut. Basilio's eye was completely closed. The champ landed a powerful left-right combination that slowed Robinson. Basilio kept boring in and took a good right to the side of the face. Robinson jabbed, then clinched at the bell.

Eighth Round

Robinson kept that left jab working, waiting for a clear shot with his right. Basilio, however, kept moving in. Robinson missed with two smashing right uppercuts. Basilio connected with a right to the face as he moved in, but it had little effect. Robinson lashed out with a right that caught Basilio on the forehead. Basilio threw a left to the mid-section and a left to the face, but they had no power. Robinson missed with another long right at the end of the round.

Ninth Round

Robinson maintained his left-jabbing pace. Basilio landed a short chopping right, but Robinson didn't even blink. Basilio landed two rights, then threw a strong right that made Robinson back away. Basilio connected with a left hook to the face. Robinson stepped back and began jabbing again. Basilio drilled in with a left to the body. Robinson clinched. A sharp right uppercut by Robinson was partially blocked. Another right by Robinson landed on the champ's shoulder at the bell.

Tenth Round

Robinson came out and shot a powerful right that was blocked by Basilio's shoulder. He drove the champ into the ropes, but Basilio fought back with two good lefts to the body. Robinson jabbed and then fired a powerful right that again was partially blocked. Basilio got Robinson near a corner and slammed rights and lefts to the body and then a left to the face and Robinson appeared hurt. Robinson backed up with Basilio following him. Basilio bore in with both fists flailing. Robinson crouched and threw a right which again was blocked. Robinson jabbed and then connected with a sharp right. But the champ soon was back into his crowding tactics. Robinson landed another smashing right to the jaw, but Basilio shook it off. They were levelling at the bell.

Eleventh Round

Basilio ducked under a looping right. Robinson jabbed and then was backed up by a right to the stomach. Basili shot an overhand right that grazed Robinson's jaw. Robinson opened up with lefts and rights, but Basilio crouched and then whistled over his head. Both landed blows after a break, then touched gloves. Robinson fired a right as Basilio came in but it had little effect. Basilio rammed a right to the face. Robinson backed up. Then Sugar Ray connected with a left hook and a right and drove Basilio against the ropes. Robinson had Basilio against the ropes again as they traded body blows at the bell.

Twelfth Round

Robinson kept flicking out his left and Basilio kept crowding in. Robinson threw a sharp left but Basilio took the punch. Robinson again missed with a right uppercut and Basilio landed a right to the body. Robinson again missed with a right uppercut. The champion looked a little tired but lashed out with a right to the stomach. They clinched and went into the ropes, then exchanged punches with both breaking off as the bell sounded.

Thirteenth Round

There was blood coming from above Basilio's closed left eye. He also was bleeding from the nose. Robinson again peppered him with jabs. Basilio kept wading in but there was little steam to most of his punches. Sugar Ray's nose also began bleeding after several clinches. Basilio landed a short left, bounced a right off Robinson's shoulder. Robinson shot across a right to the face that forced Basilio against the ropes at the end of the round.

Fourteenth Round

Robinson kept his right cocked waiting for a clean shot. Basilio stopped Ray, then Robinson pounded him with a long right and connected with another right as Basilio moved in but it didn't seem to faze the champ. Robinson belted Basilio with another right and the champion went into a crouch and backed up. Bsailio into went into a crouch again and Robinson missed with a left hook and a right uppercut at the bell.

Fifteenth Round

Robinson kept up his left jabbing but missed with another steaming right. Basilio butted Robinson under the chin and aroused the crowd but the fighters touched gloves. In a brief exchange, Robinson missed with a right but landed a left to the side of Basilio's face. Robinson again uncorked a long right but it only grazed the champ. Basilio crouched and Robinson flailed him with most of the blows, however, whistling over his head. In a savage exchange Robinson dug into Basilio's mid-section and the champ clinched. Robinson forced Basilio into the ropes as the fight ended.

SUGAR RAY DUCKS AWAY FROM RIGHT HAND BY CARMEN BASILIO
Champion Forces Action In Third Round of Title Encounter

Sports of The Times

By ARTHUR DALEY

Hail to the Champion

TAMPA, Fla., March 26—The impression keeps getting stronger that Sugar Ray Robinson is a figment of someone's imagination. He's too incredible, too colossal to be true. He even seems able to defy the laws of nature by making time stand still for him. Sugar Ray is as ageless as he's wonderful, the most remarkable fist-fighter of his generation.

The Harlem Hotshot was bigger than life on the huge screen for theatre television here last night and it seemed singularly fitting that he should appear in such heroic proportions. Furthermore, the setting added to the illusion that this was one of those fictional things. Hence no one had to strain in order to believe.

Sugar Ray beat Carmen Basilio with merciless thoroughness and thereby won the middleweight championship for the fifth time. This is a record that not only never has been approached, it's also one that will remain unapproachable in the foreseeable future.

Two Marathons

At the age of 37 the dancing master from Harlem has now gone thirty rounds with the craggy-featured onion farmer from Chittenango, N. Y. The experts had boldly predicted before the first fight last September that Sugar Ray would have to win by a quick knockout or meet with disaster. He did neither. Basilio won a split decision but it was awfully close and Robinson didn't weary in the closing rounds. He even dropped late block-busters on Carmen's granite chin, almost finishing off his foe on three different occasions.

The experts were not quite so emphatic this time in saying that Robinson would have to win early or not at all. Besides, he seemed to take an unholy delight in confounding the press row tenants. So again Sugar Ray went the distance. On this occasion, though, he won.

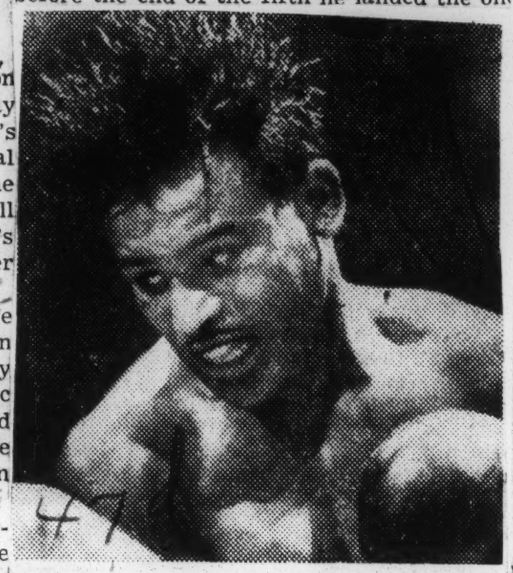
The decision once more was a split one. That seemed a mite startling in itself because this was nowhere near so close as the first fight. Robinson was in virtual full command from the fifth round on, with Basilio barely surviving to the final bell.

In many respects this battle bore striking similarity to the first affair, since it also was a savage, no-quarter brawl. Yet there were some subtle differences.

Quick Reversal

Basilio appeared infinitely more confident from the beginning, almost as if he felt he was too tough for his older foe. He mauled Robinson in clinches as both flung rabbit punches. Sugar Ray didn't like it, but he couldn't escape. Carmen crowded him, gave him no respite and scored consistently with his left hook.

For five rounds Basilio mistreated Ray, not that Robinson didn't get in some pretty good licks himself. But the superlatively equipped Harlemite is a deadly hitter as well as a boxer of consummate skill. Just before the end of the fifth he landed the one



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Sugar Ray Robinson in his bout with Carmen Basilio in Chicago Tuesday.

punch that won the fight. It wasn't that apparent when it landed, but the effects became increasingly obvious.

Basilio hooked into the body savagely and had Robinson in distress. That's when Sugar Ray is most dangerous. He came out of a clinch with bomb bay open. A left hook flashed joltingly on Carmen's jaw and a right exploded on Carmen's head. It landed on Carmen's left eye and that won the war.

Like Cyclops, Basilio was a one-eyed operative thereafter. The Basilio effectiveness drained rapidly away from him and only his bulldog tenacity kept him in business. A younger Robinson would have finished the task immediately. The older one just couldn't keep applying the pressure because this was no Bobo Olson or Gene Fullmer who could be taken out with a single punch. This was a tough guy, a proud guy. Only Basilio's unquenchable spirit kept him going.

Wrong Comparison

Through the sixth, seventh and eighth rounds Robinson seemed to coast, stabbing relentlessly with his left and crossing occasionally as he administered brutal punishment. It made at least one observer wonder if Sugar Ray was deliberately postponing the knockout just as Stanley Ketchel once had done in a grudge match with Billy Papke.

Papke had stripped the welterweight crown from the immortal Ketchel with a sneak punch as they were about to begin. So the vengeful Michigan Assassin had Papke poised for a knockout in the opening minute of their return match, but refused to administer the coup de grace until after he'd beaten Papke fearfully.

But it soon became evident that Robinson had no ulterior motive. The reason he didn't knock out Basilio was because he couldn't. Carmen fought back furiously from the ninth round on. Yet it was clear that his cause was hopeless and it was a moral victory for him when he staggered to the final bell upright and in one piece.

The calendar will probably catch up with the extraordinary Sugar Ray some day. Don't bet on it, though. He's Superman in human form.

CHAMPION TO KEEP MORE 'SUGAR' NOW

Robinson to Get Pay for His Title Victory Over 4-Year Period as a Corporation

By JOSEPH C. NICHOLS

Special to The New York Times.

CHICAGO, March 26—Ray Robinson held court today in the familiar but ever-pleasing role of the "new middleweight champion of the world." The amazing Sugar Ray of Harlem showed few signs of having been in a savage fight last night, in which he lifted the 160-pound crown from the battered brow of Carmen Basilio.

Although he had won the middleweight title on four previous occasions, Robinson was just as happy as if this were the first time. One of the reasons for his joy was that he was not bedeviled by lawsuits and tax claims that used to arise quite frequently in his previous big money skirmishes.

And there is none to question that Sugar Ray is dealing with big money. Although the late returns from the far off closed circuit television outposts are not in yet, there is a certainty that Robinson will receive about $215,400 for his last night's work. This same sum will be collected by Basilio, who, despite the fact that he was the defending champion, split the pay-off at 30 per cent each with Robinson.

Money Dissipated in Past

Much of Robinson's money in his past ring ventures was dissipated because of concentrated earnings and collections. To preserve most of his share for his tussle with Carmen last night, the new champion has formed the Robinson Theatre and Sports Enterprise Promotion Corporation. This organization has contracted with the International Boxing Club to accept staggered payments over a four-year period for any of Robinson's boxing appearances or any other activity into which he might decide to go.

At the age of 37 Robinson has expressed himself as not too eager to continue his ring career, which started professionally in 1940. Many believe, though, that he is only setting up a smoke screen, especially in view of his talk this morning favoring a boxing tour of Europe.

Referring to the Basilio encounter, Robinson said that he was strong to the end and that he was not hurt. He did say that Basilio furnished him with his toughest opposition since Jake La Motta beat him in a non-tile fight some twelve years back. When asked if he was surprised at the way Basilio absorbed punishment, Robinson said, "truthfully, I was."

Basilio, whose left eye was still tightly shut this morning, spent a nervous and sleepless night. The eye was closed as early as the fifth round and the Chittenango (N. Y.) fighter took a lot of punishment because he could not see out of it. He received a soothing treatment for the injury from his doctor.

Basilio Wants Return Bout

Basilio did not have much to say except that he was in favor of getting another shot at Robinson. He beat Ray for the 160-pound crown by a split decision in New York last September.

Last night's fight was decided on a basis of a 5-point maximum per round, with the winner of each round getting 5 points and the loser a proportionate lower number.

Judge John Bray favored Robinson, 71 to 64, and scored eleven rounds for the winner as against four for Basilio. Judge Spike McAdams had it 72 to 64 Robinson, with Sugar Ray getting eleven rounds, Basilio three and one even. Frank Sikora, the referee, favored Basilio, 69 to 66. In rounds Sikora's card read nine rounds for Basilio, five rounds for Robinson and one even.

LOSER ENTERS HOSPITAL

Basilio Under Observation for Hemorrhage Around Eye

CHICAGO, March 26 (AP) — Carmen Basilio suffered a "massive hemorrage" around his left eye in his losing middleweight title fight last night with Sugar Ray Robinson. He entered a hospital today for treatment and observation.

Basilio fought the last ten rounds of the match with his eye puffed completely shut. He shrugged off the importance of the injury, but submitted to an examination by Dr. Richard A. Perritt of Chicago at the insistence of Basilio's wife, Kay.

Perritt suggested he enter the hospital. After Basilio's arrival, Chicago Wesley Memorial Hospital issued this statement:

"The eye itself is not involved. There has been a massive hemorrage around the eye and we want Mr. Basilio to be hospitalized at Wesley for observation and treatment."

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Jim Pace Returns To Little Rock; Greeted as Hero

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—Jim Pace, All-America football star from Michigan came home last week a hero in a town that only a few short weeks ago was a boiling pot of school racial segregation.

Pace, the most valuable player in the Big Ten and one of the greatest halfbacks in the history of the Wolverine school, was welcomed at Adams Field by a crowd conservatively estimated at 1,500. The crowd waited for more than several hours when the plane from San Francisco was delayed because of bad weather.

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IMMEDIATELY after his arrival from the East-West Shrine Game, Pace was honored with a parade. Later the same night he was the number one guest at a banquet in his honor at Horace Mann High School.

Pace, who still looks upon Little Rock as his home, told the group of well wishers, "I want to thank the wonderful people who turned out to welcome me home. It's a wonderful experience I'll never forget. I want you to know I'm the same Jim Pace who graduated from Dunbar and went out to make people proud of me."

On hand to help honor Pace were two of his former teammates at Dunbar. Sidney Williams, the Wisconsin quarterback and the first Negro T-slotter in the Big Ten and Willie Smith, Michigan tackle, both took part in the celebration.

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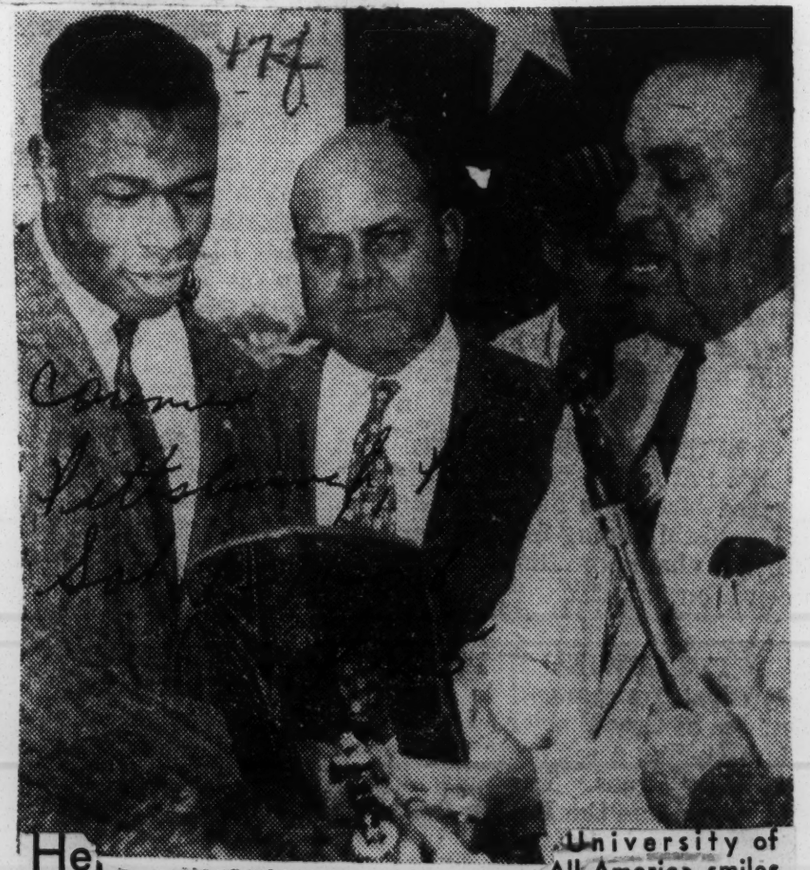
PACE REVEALED that he has never regretted his decision to attend Michigan.

"I didn't miss a game for three years," he fondly recalls. "My first season I was second string to Terry Barr. After that, I played all the time. because I was lucky as far as injuries were concerned."

On hand to help celebrate his big day was his mother, Mrs. Ethel Sullivan of Little Rock.

During the banquet Pace was presented with a host of gifts from an admiring hometown.



He, University of All-America, smiles as he is presented a plaque representing his stardom with the Big Ten university and the role he played with Dunbar High School upon arrival in his hometown of Little Rock, Ark. Principal L. M. Christophe of Horace Mann High, right, makes the presentation. In the center is L. R. Gaines, president of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity in Little Rock.

LEN FORD AND WIFE

Traded to Green Bay

Len Ford May Hang Up Spikes

Courier Pittsburgh Pa. 2-22

DETROIT, Mich.—Last week, the trade of their big end, Lennie Ford, to the Green Bay Packers, but it's doubtful if big Lennie will ever put on a Packer uniform.

The outstanding veteran of two years of football wars in the defunct All-American Conference, and eight years of play in the National Football Conference, told the Courier last week:

"I am traded, for sure, but I don't think I'll go (to Green Bay) . . . if the job I'm trying to get turns up."

He refused to say what job he is seeking. A graduate of the University of Michigan, where he starred in football, Ford, 6 feet 5 inches, and 264 pounds, has taught school in off-season.

Asked if he was surprised over being traded, he said, "No, I wasn't surprised at all. It is in keeping with Brown's (Cleveland Coach Paul Brown) philosophy of bringing in new blood. After all, I'm 32 now."

Ford was for years a key man on Brown's great defensive teams that helped carry the team to innumerable divisional and conference championships. Almost indestructible in his early and mid years of play, Ford in recent years has shown signs of brittleness.

He suffered an arm injury in spring training in 1956 that plagued him throughout the season, although he missed only one game that year. Last year he suffered a severe shoulder separation which required a series of operations last fall and winter at the University of Michigan's University Hospital.

The shoulder has responded to treatment "and it feels pretty good now," Ford said, "although I believe there still are some ad-

nesions, because it hurts some when I played volleyball last week."

Married to the former Geraldine Bledsoe, an attorney, Ford is the father of two, Deborah, 5½, and Anita, 4.

57 tan players listed on pro football teams

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A total of 57 players are currently on the rosters of 11 of the 12 teams in the National Football League.

Only the Redskins of the nation's capital who never have used a colored athlete, are without one. The unofficial roster to date follows:

BEARS — Willie Galimore, Bobby Watkins, J. C. Caroline, Erich Barnes, halfbacks; Rommie Loudd, linebacker; Willie Lee, tackle.

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BROWNS — Harold Bradley, Red Robinson, guards; Milt Campbell, Leroy Bolden, Bob Mitchell, halfbacks; Jim Brawn, fullback; Frank Clarke, Willie David, ends.

CARDINALS — Ollie Matson, Rim Hill, halfbacks; Woodley Lewis, Dick Lane, end - halfbacks.

COLTS—Lenny Moore, Jesse Thomas, Milt Davis, Len Lyles, John Sample, halfbacks; Jim Parker, guard; Luke Owens, Gene Lipscomb, Sherman Plunkett, tackles.

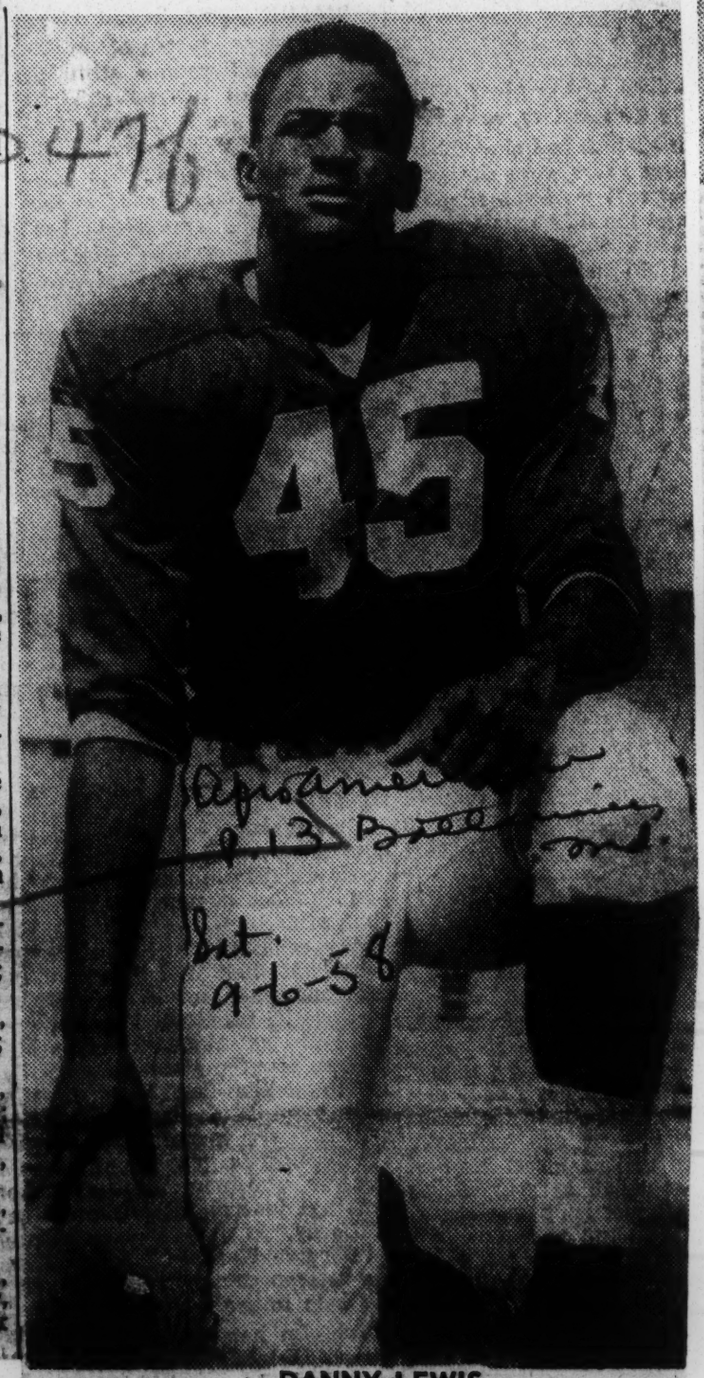
EAGLES — Eddie Bell, end-halfback; Clarence Peaks, halfback; Proverb Jacobs, guard; Bob Mulgado, halfback.

FORTY-NINERS—Joe Perry, fullback; Jim Pace, halfback; Leon Burton, halfback.

GIANTS — Emlen Tunnell, safety; Roosevelt Brown, guard; Roosevelt Grier, tackle; Mel Triplett, fullback; Jack Spinks, guard.

LIONS—John Henry Johnson, fullback; Danny Lewis, halfback; Harry Mackey, end.

PACKERS — Nate Borden, Len Ford, ends; Veryl Switzer, Roy Hodge, halfbacks; Frank Parnell, fullback.



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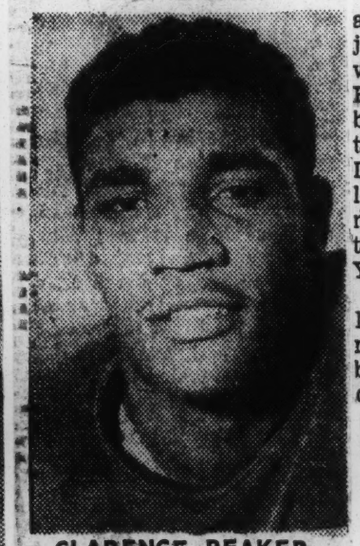
DANNY LEWIS
Promising with Lions

RAMS — Tom Wilson, Jim Jones, K. C. Jones, Floyd Iglehart, halfbacks; John Baker, tackles; Lamar Lundy, Jesse Arnelle, ends.

STEELERS — Tank Younger, fullback; Jack McClairen, end; Willie McClung, guard.

"JIM" BROWN



CLARENCE PEAKER

CONERLY NOW 37, TUNNELL 33

Two 11-Year Veterans Vital to Giant Hopes

NEW YORK, Dec. 12 (AP).—In the highly specialized game of professional football, there is a man for every situation. The New York Giants even have two "old pros."

On offense, it's Charley Conerly, age 37; on defense, it's Emlen Tunnell, 33.

Both are 11-year veterans of the Giants and the only remaining members of the team that whipped the Cleveland Browns twice during the 1950 regular season, then lost an 8-3 playoff for the division championship.

Sunday the teams meet again at Yankee Stadium in a game just as important. A Cleveland victory or tie will send the Browns into the National Football League title game against the Baltimore Colts, Western Division champions, at Cleveland December 28. The Giants must win to force a playoff for the title December 21 in New York.

Eleven year sis practically a lifetime in pro football, and memories are necessarily dim, but Conerly, former Mississippi quarterback, said today that the thing he remembers the most about the thrilling Giant-Brown games of 1950 was the outstanding defensive play of Tunnell, slightly built Negro back from Iowa.

"We didn't have much of an offense back then," Charley recalled, "and the Browns, with guys like Otto Graham, Marion Motley and Dante Lavelli, were loaded. But we had a great defensive backfield. They called it the 'umbrella defense,' and it was made up of Otto Schnellbacher, Harmon Rowe, Tow Landry and Tunnell, the safety man.

"We handed the Browns their only two losses that year. The scores were 6-0 and 17-13, and Em was a big man in both those victories.

"Em was one of the finest football players Ive ever seen," said one old pro of another.

Apparently a lot of other people agree. If the weather co-operates (the forecast was fair and very cold for Sunday), as many as 70,000 fans will jam Yankee Stadium to honor Tunnell before he plays in his 126th straight game with the Giants. He will be honored in pre-game ceremonies and receive a car among other gifts.

There were wisecracks that Tunnell's aging legs could use that car these days, but Em and others have been talking that way for three years now, and he's still one of the deadliest tacklers and smartest safety men in the game. Tunnell holds seveen National League records, including most passes intercepted lifetime, 74.

"The legs bother me now and then," Em said today, "but I still manage to get around. I just have to play the ball and rely on my knowledge of other players more."

"He's a steadying influence back there," Conerly added. "He wasn't used much during our first two games, but after Norm Van Brocklin of the Eagles shot up our pass defense pretty bad in the second game of the season, Em became a regular again and the pass defense had really tightened up.

"It's sure great to see him out there protecting a lead while you're on the bench.

"We're really looking forward to Sunday's game and we're ready for the Browns," Charley said.

Tunnell agreed.

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By ARTHUR DALEY

The Boy From Syracuse

ONE of football's most important prerequisites is timing, since both attack and defense are geared to it. But the Giants erred grievously in their timing in 1956. They won the championship of the professional world and therefore lost, in all probability, many more championships in the years ahead.

While the Giants were fumbling toward the title, they made their usual soundings of eligible college seniors. This is a wise move because it eliminates from consideration as a draft choice any player who is not interested in pro ball. The one fellow they yearned for most ardently was a kid from Manhasset, L. I., a Syracuse University halfback named Jimmy Brown.

"Would you play for the Giants if we draft you?" asked an agent.

"I'd love to," said Jimmy. "I've always dreamed of playing for the Giants."

Out of Reach

But then the Yankee Stadium tenants were thoughtless enough to win the championship and thus get last pick in the draft. The auction began as the low-ranking teams named their first-round choices. Four players were snapped up when Commissioner Bert Bell called out in his brassy voice:

"How does Cleveland pick?"

"The Cleveland Browns pick Jimmy Brown," said Paul Brown. The moody genius from the shores of Lake Erie has been congratulating himself ever since.

Jimmy Brown not only became the rookie-of-the-year in 1957 but also led the league in ground-gaining with the whomping total of 942 yards. Thus far this season he's gained 815 yards and scored fourteen touchdowns. That's for only five games. He has seven left in which to eclipse Steve Van Buren's yardage record of 1,146 and touchdown mark of eighteen. He hardly can miss.

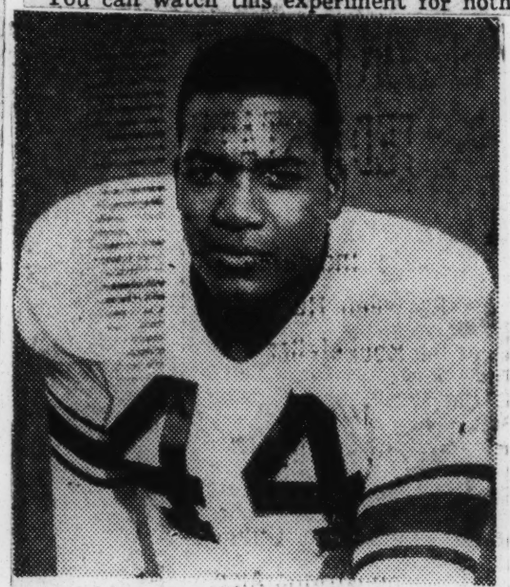
Here is a magnificently proportioned athlete who is destined to rank with Jim Thorpe and Bronko Nagurski as a legendary figure. He's just 21 years old but he's a solid 228 pounds with speed, shiftiness and know-how.

"Jimmy Brown took a good defensive club like Pittsburgh and destroyed it," sadly reported Jack Lavelle, the Giant eagle scout. "He's unstoppable. Listen. I watched Cleveland last week. Bobby Mitchell was trapped by tacklers behind the line of scrimmage. He looked wildly around and saw Brown, an innocent bystander, off to the side. Mitchell wanted no more of that hot potato.

"'Here, Mac,' he said, throwing the ball to Brown. Jimmy had no interference, no blockers, no nothing. So he ran 41 yards for a touchdown. See what I mean?"

Jim Lee Howell, the Giant coach, gulped hard. Yet he wasn't hearing something he didn't know. It will be his job today to have New York defenses rigged so that they can stop all the Browns—Jimmy, Paul and all the rest.

You can watch this experiment for nothing. A flick of the wrist and the game this afternoon between the Giants and the unbeaten Clevelanders will whisk electronically into your living room on Channel 2. What defenses will the New Yorkers use? Howell ain't sayin'. But here's a guess:



Jimmy Brown
"Unstoppable," says scouting report

When the series between these traditional rivals—tradition sprouts fast in pro ball—began in 1950, the Browns were murdering everyone with another swift bone-crusher, a powerhouse fullback named Marion Motley. So Steve Owen, the Giant coach, gave a specific assignment to Big John Cannady, his sharpest defender.

"Big John," drawled Stout Steve. "The only guy you're allowed to tackle today is Motley. Ignore everyone else. If he runs right, you run right. If he runs left, you run left. Whatever he does, you do. He's your private pigeon."

"Pigeons make powerful tasty eatin'," drawled Cannady, an old duck-hunter from Carolina.

Cannady blasted Motley all afternoon. He blasted him every time the two teams met. The Giants never had much trouble with Motley.

What Makes Sammy Run?

The guess here is that Howell and his defensive coach, Tom Landry, will hand the old Cannady assignment to Sam Huff. The burly blond from the West Virginia hills undoubtedly will dog Brown every inch of the way. But Jimmy is shiftier and faster-starting than Motley was.

What's more, the other Brown, Paul, has completely revamped his attack. In the era of Motley and Otto Graham, the wide-shouldered fullback either blocked—he was a matchless blocker—or ran on traps or screens. But now Paul uses the running pass and a high-pressure running game.

This should be a wingding. Against the Steelers last week the Giants returned to normal after their subnormal showing of the week before. They still are the best defensive team in the league but the Browns have averaged 33 points a game.

If Brown (Jimmy) is stopped, there's a chance to beat Brown (Paul) and his Browns (Cleveland). Otherwise, the quest is hopeless.

How Negro Stars Performed In Big Ten Grid Contests

The Big Ten football season that closed recently produced some outstanding — and surprising — performances by ten athletes.

Iowa, which displaced Ohio State as conference champion, boasted a pair of the league's most exciting runners in Willie Fleming, sophomore from Hamtramck, Mich., and Bob Jeter, junior W. Virginian.

In leading the Hawkeyes to a 7-1-1 mark, Fleming and Jeter excelled as game breakers. Jeter stood out in early games and Fleming grabbed the spotlight in the last half of the season.

The speedy Fleming, who scored 64 points for the campaign, had long touchdowns against Michigan and Minnesota. He scored two in Iowa's only loss, 38-28, to Ohio State. He tallied his first touchdown in the Hawk's smashing 31-21 victory over Notre Dame.

Fleming averaged close to six yards a try rushing, was a dangerous pass catcher and always a threat to go all the way on punt returns.

Jeter, a better-than-five-yard rusher, did most of his scoring in the early part of the season. His game-breaking touchdown run on a screen pass against Wisconsin iced that game and put Iowa on the glory road to the Big Ten title.

Both players were excellent on defense and their speed enabled them to perform adroitly against passes.

Two other tan players on Big Ten representatives to the Rose Bowl are John Burroughs, tackle and John Brown, fullback. Burroughs returned to varsity action after a year's ineligibility. He was bulwark in the team's forward wall. Brown, weighing only 170, was a scat-kind-of-a-fullback. He is a soph.

One of the most attractive choices among Big Ten players for pro scouts was Don Clark, who ended his career at Ohio State. The great halfback from Akron gained nearly 2,000 yards in his three years as a Buckeye regular, although he missed games in each season because of injuries.

The Buckeye line had two tan standouts — junior Jim Marshall, tackle, and sophomore Ernie Wright, guard. Marshall distinguished himself in the Purdue game by scoring two touchdowns that enabled Ohio State to tie the Boilermarkers.

Other members of the Buckeyes include Bertho Arnold, a 300 pound tackle; Lee Williams and Phil Robinson, halfbacks, and Sam Tidmore, sophomore end.

Wisconsin loses the talented Earl Hill, an end who was a capable pass receiver and the Badgers' punter; Sid Williams, first tan quarterback in Big Ten history; and Mel Morris, guard. Lowell Jenkins, a tackle, is a junior and is expected to be a strong man in the line next season.

Williams, from Little Rock, is considered fine material for pro ball because of his defensive skill. He also operates well as a runner and passer.

Associated Press Photo

BIGGEST OF THE RAMS—This is "Little John" Baker, a tackle for the Los Angeles Rams and the largest man they have ever had. He towers 6 feet, 6½ inches and weighs 290 pounds. He kept butting into a movie film when the Rams were trying to get a line on another player. The result: the 22-year-old John, who played college football for North Carolina College, became a member of the Rams and will oppose the Baltimore Colts today in a National Football League headliner.

Oklahoma hails first tan star

Afro American p. 14 Baltimore

NORMAN, Okla. (NNPA) — Oklahomans are singing the praises of Prentice Gautt, the first colored student to make the varsity football team at the University of Oklahoma.

Gautt was the ground gaining ace for the Oklahoma Sooners Saturday as they defeated Missouri, 39 to 0, in their 79th consecutive game without defeat in the Big Eight conference.

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The 190 - pound, 5-10 junior from Oklahoma City picked up 68 yards in 13 carried to run his total for the season to 485 in 62 tries. That's nearly six yards a carry.

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ALTHOUGH the Sooners' leading rusher, Gautt says he would rather block and tackle. But Bud Wilkinson and his other coaches say Gautt was not much on defense until he made the Oklahoma varsity.

His high school coaches liked his running so well that they did not bother to teach him blocking and tackling.

"I like to carry the ball al right," said the latest Sooner hero, "but for pure enjoyment I would much rather block. It's a great feeling to take a man out of a play."

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Auburn Out Of, AFA In Sugar Bowl Race

Post Herald

Birmingham 11-19-58

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 18 (AP) — The Air Force Academy is very much in the running for a spot in the Sugar Bowl football game on New Year's Day, but there are a lot of "ifs" attached to a possible invitation for the unbeaten but once-tied Falcons.

Sugar Bowl President Claude (Monk) Simons said today the Air Force is one of the leading candidates for the bowl game, "but a lot of things," he said, "may have to be discussed at the Washington level."

The Falcons had a game scheduled with Tulane here in October, but they pulled out because of Louisiana's segregation laws which prohibit interracial competition.

'We would surmise," Simons said, 'that if the Air Force would accept an invitation, it would conform to local laws."

It's no secret that the Air Force, one of collegiate football's big surprises this season, are looking forward to a spot in one of the bowl games.

And while nothing official has been said on the subject, both Army and Navy have placed Louisiana sports dates off limits because of the segregation law.

Army was to have played Tulane here last season, but the game was transferred to the Military Academy at West Point.

With regard to probation-plagued Auburn's possibilities, Simons said the Plainsmen are definitely out. There were reports that a move would be made for the NCAA to permit Auburn to play in the Sugar Bowl if it contributed its share of the gate to charity.

Simons said he understood that Walter Byers, executive director of the NCAA, turned thumbs down on such a proposal.

Unbeaten and untied Louisiana State, No. 1 team in the nation in this week's Associated Press Poll, is almost certain to be in the Sugar Bowl, regardless of the outcome of its season-ending game with Tulane Saturday.

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First mention of Auburn as a Sugar Bowl possibility was made Monday in New Orleans by Simons, who said an Auburn fan, whom he declined to name, proposed Auburn on the basis of Auburn donating its share of the gate to charity.

Auburn athletic director Jeff Beard told The Post-Herald Auburn would be delighted to accept a Sugar Bowl bid and donate its share to charity, even paying its own expenses to the game.

Yesterday Walter Byers of the NCAA settled the question by saying "Our Council has never lifted or modified a penalty once it was imposed. There can be no review of a penalty unless new evidence relating to the case is introduced, or an error in the original procedure is discovered."

Auburn also is on Southeastern Conference probation, which at a special hearing for Auburn concurred in NCAA action on charges of illegal inducement by alumni in recruiting Don Fuell.

7 of 8 top pro rushers are colored

Birmingham Post

Easily the outstanding feature of the 1958 professional football campaign is the sensational all performance of colored players.

Latest statistics of the National Football League reveal that seven of the eight leading ground gainers in the loop are tan athletes; also that the three top scorers in the circuit are colored.

HEADING THE group is Jim Brown, fullback ace of the Cleveland Browns. His 928 yards not only place him within easy reach of a new record for rushing in a season, but they enable Jim to hold a comfortable lead over the rest of the ball carriers in the NFL.

Brown's 928 yards as of Saturday night, in fact, are nearly double the total of his nearest rival — teammate Bobby Mitchell.

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MITCHELL, with 479 yards, is second. Willie Galimore of the Chicago Bears, is fourth with 358 yards, just 23 behind Jon Arnett of Los Angeles, the only white player among the eight leaders.

In fifth place among the ground gainers is Joe Perry of San Francisco (352), sixth is Ollie Matso, of the Chicago Cardinals (340), seventh is Tom Wilson of Los Angeles, (328), and eighth is Lenny Moore of Baltimore.

Moore has carried only 42 times, yet boasts 324 yards and the best average (7.7) in the loop.

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BROWN, GALIMORE and Moore stand one-two-three in individual scoring, all based on touchdowns with no help from goal - kicking or point conversions, so important in the pro game.

Brown's 90 points again give him a head-and-shoulders margin over his fellow rushers. Galimore is second with 60 points, and Moore third with 48.

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TANSTERS are also at the top of the kickoff return figures. Lenny Lyles of Baltimore, leads the list with a 50.3 average 302 yards, and two runbacks for touchdowns of more than 100 yards. Second in this department is Leroy Bolden of Cleveland. He has a 33.3 average and one kickoff TD worth 102 yards.

R. C. Owens of San Francisco, is fourth among pass receivers, with 25 grabs worth 326 yards. Woodley Lewis of the Cardinals, is sixth and Lenny Moore seventh, with 21 and 20 catches, respectively.

3 Negroes Make Oregon State 11

Post

Chicago Defender 9-20-58

CORVALLIS, Ore. — The University of Oregon State which finished no worse than second in the Pacific Coast Conference for the last three years will host three Negroes on the starting lineup for the 1958 season.

They are Paul Lowe, the speedster and All CIF Conference tailback from Centennial High school in Los Angeles; Earnel Durden, a coaches All-Coast selection and soph and All-City player of the year while at Manual Arts High school also in Los Angeles and Ted Bates, All-City tackle from Manual Arts High school and Oregan State's lone All-American candidate.

This year the Beavers may prove to be the Pacific Coast representatives in the Rose Bowl and if the team proves to be anything like the teams in previous years the Big Ten representatives will have to play heads up ball.

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Jim Brown 3rd in 57 Athlete voting

Fullback Jim Brown of the Cleveland Browns football team finished a creditable third to Althea Gibson and Hank Aaron in the annual AFRO poll to determine the year's outstanding colored athlete.

Brown, who was the top runner in the attack which swept Cleveland to the Eastern Conference title in the National Football League, accumulated 15½ points in the three-two-one scoring.

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THE NATIONWIDE canvas gave him three first place votes, three second-place picks and a split of a third-place selection with the New York Giants' Willie Mays.

Placing the former Syracuse All-American at the top of their ballots were Harry Gage of the Dallas News (South), Eddie Hurt of Morgan State College (East), and Gordon Cobbledick of the Cleveland Plain-Dealer (West).

Each expressed the opinion that the hard-running Brownie fullback achieved the near impossible when he won a place on the All Pro eleven in his first season in the National Football League.

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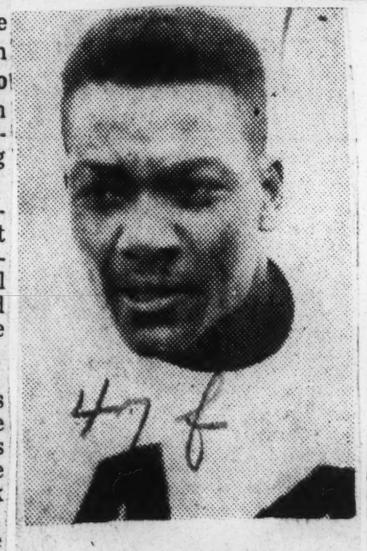
THOUGH he was only a rookie, Brown led the NFL in rushing during the 1957 campaign and was the prime reason Tommy O'Connell became the pro wheel's outstanding passer.

Brown's threat as a runner and his protective blocking provided tremendous assists to the freshman quarterback's success in the air.

Jim led the NFL in ground gaining with a total of 928 yards, and set a pro league record with 237 yards gained in one day.



JIM BROWN

Texas school picks tan gridder as 'most popular boy'

WESLACO, Texas — Leon Jackson, one of three colored pupils at Weslaco High School and a half-back on the school's football team, was voted the "most popular boy" in the school last week by his 500 schoolmates.

Jackson, who maintains a "B" average, was elected, according to School Superintendent Grady Hester, "not because he was an under dog, but because the kids like him."

'KEGEE GRIDDER INKED

TORONTO - The Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League, have announced the signing of Fred Gaston, 215 pound Tuskegee Institute Fullback, to a 1958 pro-grid contract.

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Both in Backfield

Two Oklahoma Teams To Use Negro Players

NEW YORK, Sept. 12 (UP) Sports of all sorts:

The racial barrier has been lowered at both of Oklahoma's top football schools—University of Oklahoma and Oklahoma State. J. Prentice Gautt, a crashing fullback and fine blocker, is the first Negro ever to play for Bud Wilkinson's mighty Oklahoma Sooners . . . And at Oklahoma State, halfback Chester Pittman is likely to become the first Negro to win a varsity football letter.

Wrestling occasionally is reviewed on the drama pages of New York newspapers, since the grapplers are such dandy emoters, so now the grunt-and-groaners are moving right into the theaters . . . Antonio Rocca and Co., will rassle in tag team matches at a Brooklyn ttheater Sept. 16 and in a Bronx movie house Sept. 23 . . . In New York, they're billed as "exhibitions" not "contests."

Pro football star Frank Gifford of the New York Giants, who has been reported retiring for the last couple of years to make movies, says now he wants to play at least until he's 30—maybe longer . . . for the record, Frank is 28, so it looks like bad news around tthe pro league for another couple of years.

Mercer Beasley, the 76-year-old tennis coach, says modern equipment is to blame for the dullness of so many big time tennis matches these days . . . "You can hit the ball much harder with today's better ball and more lively rackets," he says. "Everybody's doing it and the finesse the crowds used to love isn't there any more. A stylist doesn't have a chance against the big game."

That's where golf has the edge . . . golf permits a far wider assortment of "tools" than in the old days but the "liveliness" of the ball is governed so carefully the game can't get our of hand . . . Ball manufacturers have to stay within bounds or have their product black-listed as "illegal" for play.

Five members of Michigan State's football squad are enrolled in pre-dental school and who knows more about losing teeth than a big time football player?

Marquette, which hasn't won a football game in two years, lost 12 varsity candidates through injury in the first week of practice this fall . . . After No. 12 bit the dust, coach Johnny Druze said, "the next squad meeting will be held at the County General Hosiptal."

First Negro Player Aids Oklahomans

Norman, Okla., Nov. 23 (A —The big applause usually is for a couple of touchdown scoring backs, but the talk of the town as the Oklahoma Sooners look forward to their second successive Orange bowl game is a junior fullback.

As the Sooners review Saturday's 39 to 0 victory over Missouri, their 70th consecutive game without defeat in the Big Eight conference, they praise the scoring of Brewster Hobby and Bobby Boyd.

But without a pausing to take a breath they plunge into the exploits of Prentice Gautt first Negro to make the varsity at Oklahoma.

Gautt, whose churning legs often carry him several yards after he is tackled, was the ground gaining ace against Missouri. The 190 pound, 5-10 junior from Oklahoma City, picked up 68 yards in 13 carries to run his total for the season to 485 in 82 tries. That's nearly 6 yards a carry.

Altho the Sooners' leading rusher, Gautt admits he would much rather block and tackle. But Bud Wilkinson and his other coaches tell you Gautt wasn't much on defense until he made the Oklahoma varsity. His high school coaches liked his running so well that they didn't fool with teaching him blocking and tackling.

"I like to carry the ball all right," said the soft spoken Gautt, "but for pure enjoyment I would much rather block. It's a great feeling to take a man out of a play."

A sure-fire All-America candidate next year is what they're calling this latest Sooner hero.

Sports of The Times

By ARTHUR DALEY

The Boy From Syracuse

THE appeal of professional football lies in the mechanical perfection and flawless execution of every maneuver. Oh, yeah?

"It sure was a messed up play," Jimmy Brown was saying with an apologetic smile, "and so I ran 69 yards for a touchdown."

Jimmy Brown is the swift rookie fullback of the Cleveland Browns who capped a sensational freshman season in the cash-and-crash set by winning the ground-gaining championship with 942 yards. He's a nice-looking, well-mannered boy of 21, and seems much too mild to be such a ferocious footballer. But he's big at 6 feet 2 inches and 225 pounds, and he moves with the springy grace of the extraordinary all-around athlete that he is, perhaps the best since the legendary Jim Thorpe.

"Just before we played the Los Angeles Rams, we got a new draw play from Paul Brown," continued Jimmy. When he mentioned his coach, however, Jimmy uttered the name reverently. It was subconscious, but it was there.

In the Confusion

"Milt Plum was our quarterback when the play was ordered. Now Milt had never run it except for a couple of times in practice and never before with me, always with the other unit. He was supposed to take two steps back with the ball, pause and then hand it off to me for a shot down the middle.

"The hand-off was too slow, so that Milt and I were practically bumping heads. Then the two Los Angeles tackles came crashing in from either side, hitting Milt and me at the same time. But they didn't hit clean.

"So I rolled off, saw I couldn't run up the middle and I swung around right end. Then I cut back over the middle, split the two safety men and really started to run. That's when the realization came.

"'Here I am, out in the open,' I said to myself. I had to say it to myself, because there was no one near enough to talk to. And that's how I scored that 69-yard touchdown. It was almost an accident."

Brown's athletic career began on Long Island at Manhasset High. He was an exceptional football player, of course. He pitched on the baseball team in his senior year, although he preferred track and lacrosse as springtime diversions. And he starred on the basketball team. His best scoring game? The modest Jimmy stuttered slightly, gulped hard and admitted that he once had flipped in 55 points.

Tug of War

"I'd say I had about forty-five scholarship offers," said Jimmy in a matter-of-fact fashion. "A lot wanted me to go to prep school for a year. But it boiled down to Ohio State and Syracuse. I liked the campus at Syracuse and that was my choice."

It was inevitable, of course, that Brown would precipitate a tug of war between the track coach and the lacrosse coach. As a sophomore, this amazingly versatile youngster was proficient enough to finish fifth in the National Amateur Athletic Union decathlon championship. But he also was a sure-fire all-America choice in lacrosse. The climax was reached on the final day of Jimmy's collegiate athletic career. The powerful Syracuse lacrosse team was heading for an unbeaten season with only tough Army barring the way. But Brown already had scored 42 goals, one short of the scoring championship. The game with Army would decide everything.

That's when Bob Grieve, the track coach, appealed to Jimmy for help. Syracuse was meeting Colgate, a traditional foe, and couldn't win without a chunk of points from its most versatile ex-member. So Jimmy won the high jump and the discus throw, and took second in the javelin. That added up to 13 points. Syracuse beat Colgate by 13 points.

The lacrosse players already were warming up when Jimmy changed uniforms. The Army double-teamed him and even triple-teamed him. He never got a good shot. So Jimmy had to settle for one goal and a tie for the scoring title. But Syracuse won the game, 8 to 6.

Complete Solidity

How about his final football game against Colgate?

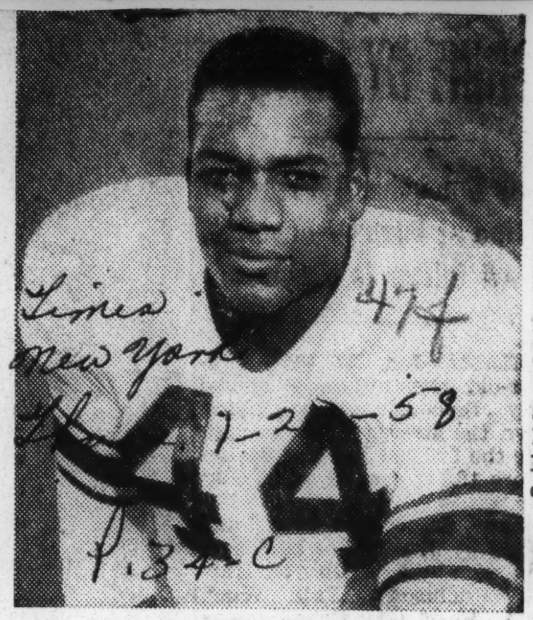
"I had a solid football day," said Jimmy in the understatement of the century. He scored 43 points that afternoon with six touchdowns and seven conversions.

He also had a reasonably solid day against Texas Christian in the Cotton Bowl when he tallied 21 points as Syracuse was beaten, 28—27.

"It was my kick that was blocked," he said. "And that was really a strange one. In the try for extra points, we let the center snap the ball whenever he wanted. Our fullback and end were still discussing which of them would take the outside man when the ball was snapped. The outside man blocked the kick.

"But you never know in football. We have a play in Cleveland we call the Old 32. It's a fullback-dive play. We use it to pick up a yard or to set up another play. One afternoon against the Cardinals, I crashed in low and with my head down. I hit nothing and I was going like a runaway truck except that I was all off balance. So I fell and missed an easy touchdown."

This articulate young man, a lieutenant in the R. O. T. C., will report to Fort Benning, Ga., on Saturday for a six-month hitch. But he'll be back in time for the next football season. It's lucky for Brown (Paul) that Brown (Jimmy) will return because the Browns (Cleveland) would be lost without him.



Jimmy Brown

He's a modern Jim Thorpe

Tigers Get 1st Negro

DETROIT, June 5 (AP).—The Detroit Tigers today promoted their first Negro player to their major league roster.

In a coup-player switch the Tigers brought up third baseman Ozzie Virgin from their Charleston, W. Va., farm in the American Association. Virgil, a Negro, had a brief previous major league experience with the then New York Giants.

The Tigers also promoted Herb Moford, a 29-year-old righthander with a 6-0 record at Charleston.

In return the Tigers farmed out pitcher Bob Shaw, 1-2 with the Tigers, and infielder Lou Skizas obtained during the winter from Kansas City.

5 top pro footballers all Negroes

The top five ground gainers in the National Football League are all Negroes, the Tribune learned this week. Leading ground gainer on the Rams, and second in the Western division, is shifty Tom Wilson, who also made the longest run among the leaders.

Jim Brown, of Cleveland, is top ground gainer. He has carried the ball 118 times, gaining 815 yards, for an average of 6.9 yards per carry. His longest run this season was 62 yards.

Brown's teammate, Bobby Mitchell, the other half of the Cleveland Browns' slick scoring combine, has gained 414 yards in 53 carries, for a 7.8 average. His longest run thus far has been 63 yards.

Lennie Moore, of the Baltimore Colts, has gained 324 yards in 42 tries — an average of 7.7. A 50-yard sprint has been his longest gain to date.

Pressing hard behind Moore is Chicago's sensational Willie Galimore, with 323 yards in 49 carries, for a 6.6 average.

Wilson, who has the highest average among the top ten, has gained 302 yards, despite the fact that he only carried the ball 37 times. His average is 8.2 yards per carry, and his 82-yard run is the longest among the NFL's top ten stars.

San Francisco's R. C. Owens, from Santa Monica, by way of College of Idaho, is second in the league in the pass catching department. He has gained 330 yards on 25 catches, his longest being a 48-yard grab.

Philadelphia Eagles List 6 Negro Rookies On Squad

CHICAGO. — (AMP) — The Philadelphia Eagles came up with a prized tan rookie in Clarence Peaks, the former Michigan State star, in the 1957 National Football League campaign.

The Eagles' new coach, Buck Shaw, hopes that he will be able to uncover one more tan standouts among the six rookies on this year's training roster.

And Shaw is looking for another good season from Eddie Bell, one of the best defensive halfbacks in the league.

Rookie aspirants include Jimmy Thompson, former all-around back at Temple; Alvin Richardson, ex-Grambling College star who is back for his second trial; Nasby Rhinehart, from Montana State University; Proverb Jacobs, 250-pound lineman from Califorina; Stan Hinds, named All-American by the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (small college) as a lineman for Mississippi Vocational College; and Mel Dillard, former co-captain at Purdue.

PEAKS TO SPARK OFFENSE

Peaks is expected to be one of the sparks of this year's Eagles offense. In his first season, the 216-pound fullback played in all 12 games and was the team's best rusher. He picked up 495 yards in 125 carries for a 4-yard average.

His best performances were 93 yards in 20 carries against the Pittsburgh Steelers, 78 against the Chicago Cardinals and 72 against the Cleveland Browns.

Peaks, used occasionally as a running passer, had two completions and also was on the receiving end of 11 aerials for 99 yards. Although he was hampered the first part of the 1957 season with pulled muscles, Peaks saw action 226 minutes in 12 games.

OTHERS TO SHOW WELL

Bell, one of football's deadliest tacklers, hasn't missed a minute of pro-action in three seasons due to injury. He played 370 minutes in 1957.

Dillard, a 191-pounder who played fullback in Big Ten competition, might provide some help for the Eagle's offense. He had his best season as a junior provide some help for the Eagle's offense. He had his best season as a jnnior in 1956 when he led the Big Ten with 634 yards in 144 carriers. A workhorse, Dillard set a Purdue record for times carrying the ball in one season 193.

Richardson and Jacobs could provide line strength.

Richardson, who nearly made the Eagles a year ago, believes he can do it this season. He weighs 247 pounds and is a tackle.

Thompson was recommended by his college coach for defensive duties. He weighs 190 pounds.

Hinds, a kickoff and field goal specialist, is a 240-pounder and plays either way as guard or tackle.

Rhinehart, 190-pound end at the Missoula, Mont., school, was named his alma mater's outstanding athlete in 1957-58.

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WILLIE FLEMING OF IOWA CITED

By BOB DODOR

MINNEAPOLIS — (UPI) — Baby-faced Willie Fleming of Iowa, a 19-year-old sophomore swifty who specializes in game-breaking touchdowns, was named United Press International's Mid-west Back of the Week.

Fleming, who can cover a football field in less than 10 seconds, was selected for his performance in Iowa's 28-6 win over Minnesota Saturday. The victory wrapped up the Big Ten title and the conference's Rose Bowl berth for the Hawkeyes.

The young halfback notched the first touchdown of the game with a 46-yard sprint in the first period. Mid-way in the second period Fleming broke away and whizzed through the Minnesota secondary for a 63-yard touchdown which clinched the outcome for the Hawkeyes.

Iowa Coach Forest Evashevski said Fleming hasn't reached his full potential as a gridder yet.

"I said before the season started that Fleming could be Iowa's best back of the decade," Evashevski said. "And I haven't changed my mind. He's coming along real fast."

The coach said Fleming needs improvement on defense and blocking before he can become an accomplished all-around star.

"He does an acceptable job on defense and is progressing in that department. He's also coming along fast as a blocker," Evashevski said.

Fleming had little comment about his showing against Minnesota. He brushed his scoring runs aside by saying, "I saw some daylight and I ran for it."

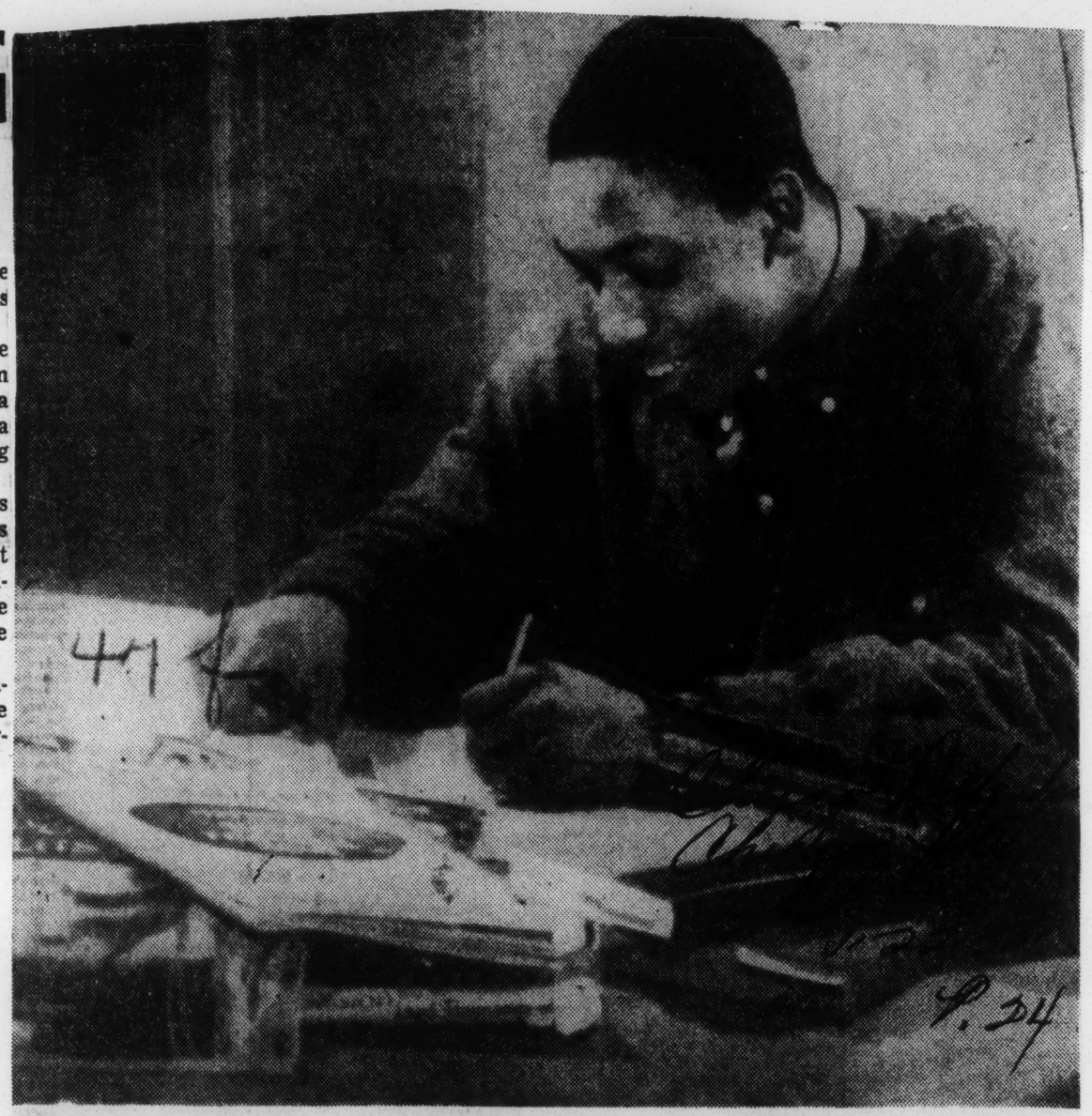
The touchdown dashes were near duplicates of his 61 and 73 yard tallies which paced the Hawkeyes over Michigan a week earlier.

He lugged the ball nine times against the Gophers and averaged better than 15 yards per carry. For the season Fleming has gained 312 yards in 29 attempts for an 8-yard per crack average. He scored five touchdowns so far this season.

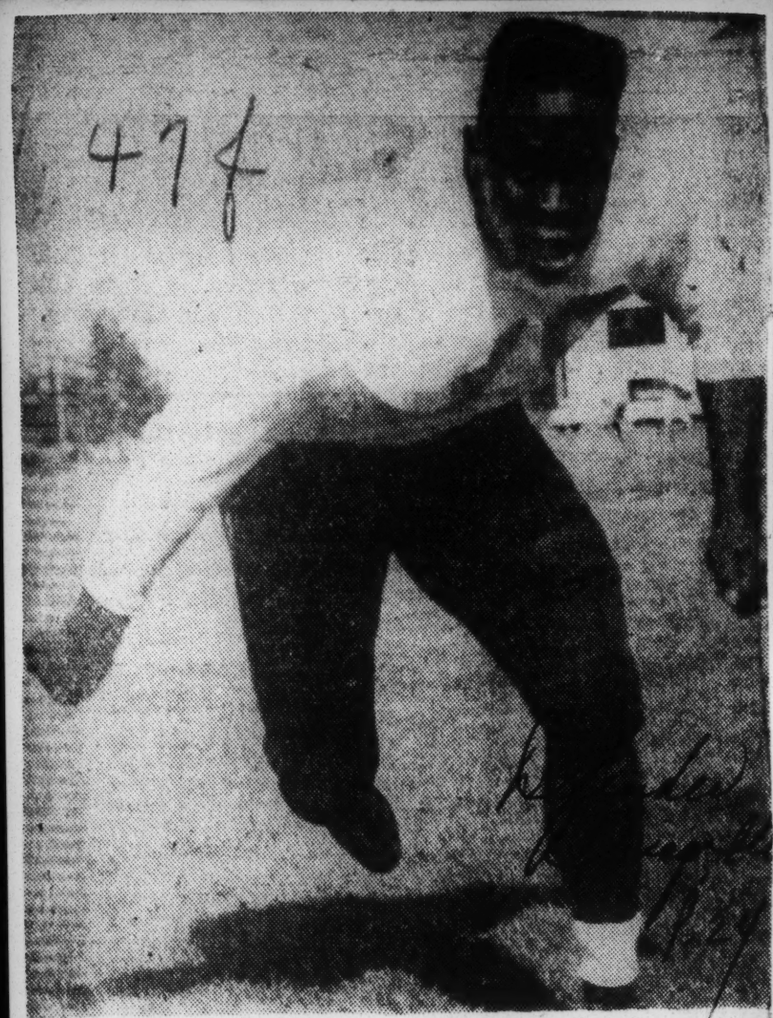
Fleming found his way into the Evashevski camp all the way from his hometown of Detroit. As a freshman he impressed the Iowa coaching staff with his blistering speed and grim determination.

Fleming, at 5-9 and 173 pounds one of the smallest ball-carriers in the Western Conference, fought through a bevy of speedy and experienced backs to win a place on one of the Hawkeyes' alternate backfields this fall.

Evashevski has such an abundance of football talent that he calls the top two lineups "alternate teams."



ALTHOUGH SPORTING a shiner following the recent Iowa-Minnesota game, halfback flash Willie Fleming of Detroit proved he could see enough to read his books.



TED BATES, the six foot 3 inch senior tackle at Oregon State, who is a leading candidate for all-America honors. Bates, who hails from Los Angeles, scales 215 and is a key man on Oregon's offensive as well as defensive maneuvers.

Associated Press wirephoto

BROWNS' ONE-TWO PUNCH—Fullback Jim Brown (left) and halfback Bobby Mitchell of the Cleveland Browns, who are leader and runner-up, respectively, in yards gained rushing in National Football League.

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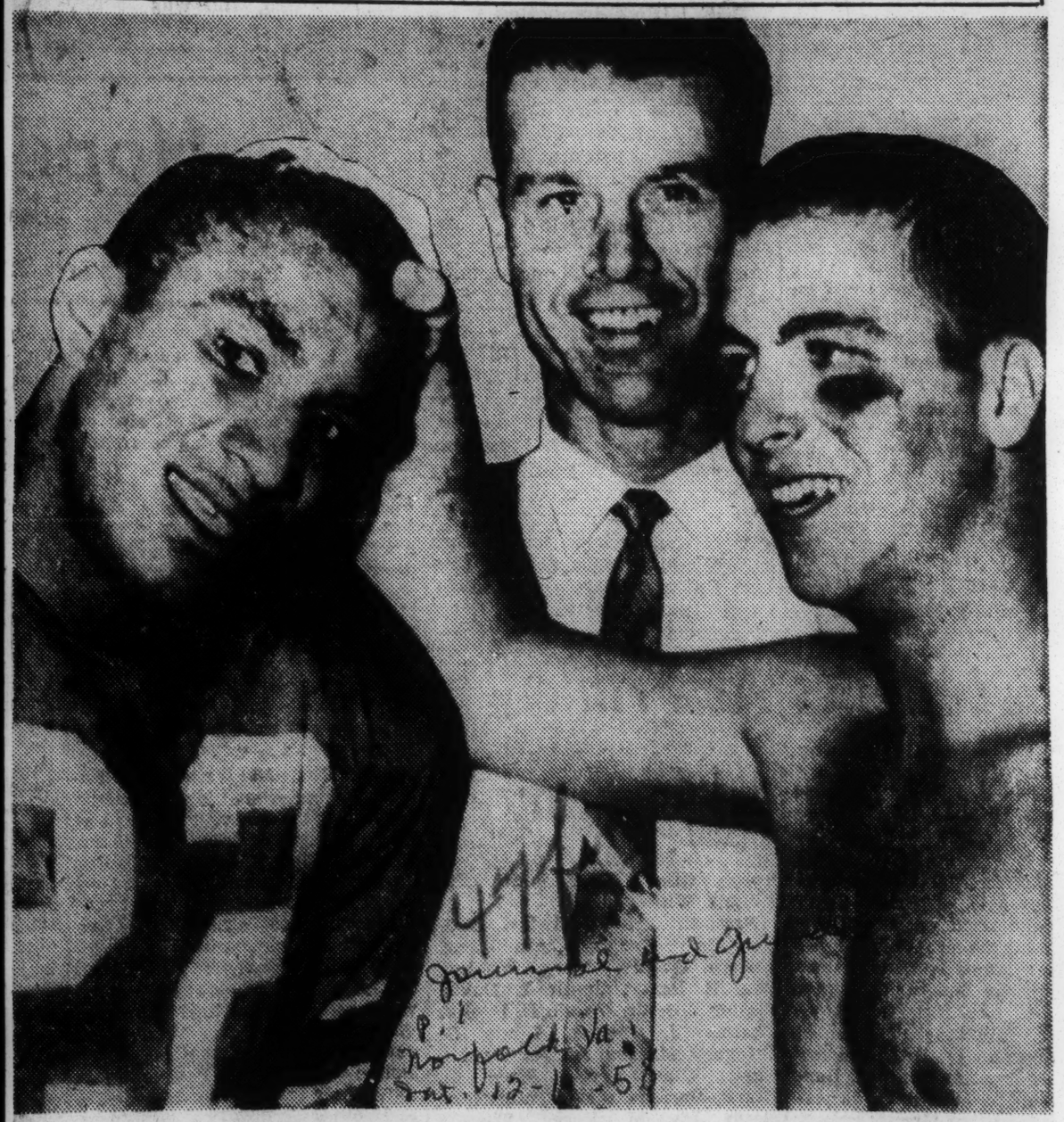
TITLE GAME CO-CAPTAINS—These five young men will co-captain the St. John's and Eastern teams in the City Schoolboy Championship football game at Griffith Stadium Friday night. Back row, left to right: fullback Bob Marshall, Eastern, a 6-footer who also runs quarter-mile in track; center Richard Dean, Eastern, who delights in imitating Nat Allbright, local sports radio announcer: guard Bruce Bach, St. John's, who helped to lead the Johnnies to the City title a year ago; front row: end Bernie Chavis, Eastern, also good enough in basketball to make All-Metropolitan team last year, and fullback Pau Ciatti, St. John's, a double-duty guy who leads team in ground gaining and is terrifying blocker.

By Arthur Ellis, Staff Photographer

First Triple Crown Winner In 21 Years



College of the Pacific halfback Dick Bass, left, is being congratulated by Quarterback Gary Hubb after the Tigers scored a 52-6 victory over Fresno State at Fresno, Calif. Bass gained 130 yards in 30 carries to annex college football's triple crown for scoring, rushing and total offense. It was the first time in 21 years that a player has won the title in all three categories. Coach Jack (Moose) Myers is shown in center.

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In the Tough National Professional Football League

Former Negro College Stars Sparkle as Pros

PITTSBURGH, Pa. — The high calibre of football being taught in many Negro colleges, throughout the nation, is going to be well showcased this fall in the National Football League, is some exhibition games are an indication of things to come.

Students, coaches, alumni and followers of more than one school already have been cheering the success of gridiron representatives from their respective alma maters, during the past several years, and there will be many more added to the cheering section when this season is over.

As an example, Saturday in an exhibition game for the benefit of the Shrine at the Pitt Stadium, the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Chicago Bears fielded squads showing a total of 13 tan stalwarts—the Steelers having seven and the Bears six—and of this total, seven are products of Negro colleges. An eighth was graduated from a colored high school before entering a white university away from his home state.

The Steeler roster includes:

Veterans, Willie McClung, tackle, 6-3, 250, of Florida A&M; Jack McClairen, end, 6-4, 210, Bethune-Cookman; Paul (Tank) Younger, fullback, 6-3, 230, Grambling, and John Nisby, guard, 6-1, 230, College of the Pacific, and rookies: Fay Mitchell, halfback, 6-1, 200, of Tennessee A&I; Leon Jamison, end, 6-2, 220, also of Tennessee A&I, Joe Lewis, tackle, 6-2, 260, Compton.

The Bears displayed:

Veterans Willie Galimore, halfback, 6-1, 188, from Florida A&M, who was a sensation in his debut in the pro league last year; J. C. Caroline, halfback, 6-1, 190, Illinois, who prepped in a colored S. C. high school; Willie Lee, tackle, 6-4, 240, Florida A&M; Bobby Watkins, halfback, 5-9, 195, Ohio State; and rookies George Barnes, halfback, 6-2, 198, Purdue, and Rommie Loudd, end, 6-1, 210, UCLA.

The Monsters of the Midway defeated the Steelers in a drab game, 17-10, before 16,029 cash paying customers. Galimore, Rick Casares and Johnny Morris were just too much for Coach Buddy Parker's Pittsburgh charges, as they ripped, slithered and snaked their way to victory.

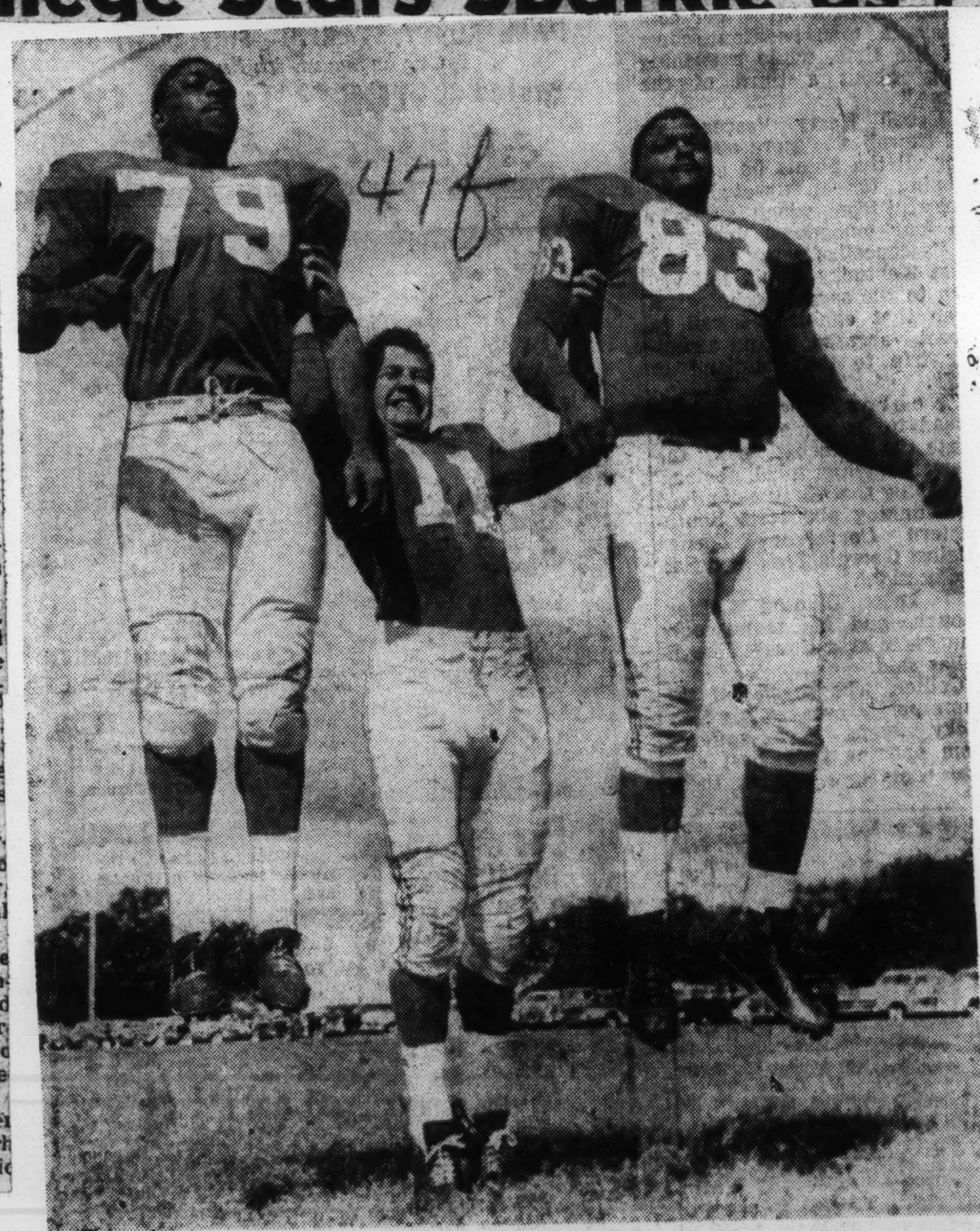
Galimore turned in one of his patented dashes, going 27 yards on a pitchout from quarterback George Blanda for the bears first touchdown. Several Steelers had their hands on him, but he faded away from them and moving, as if powered with uranium, outsped the Pittsburgh defense to the goal line. Casares bucked over from the 2 for Chicago's other TD. Blanda kicked a field goal and the points after both touchdowns. All of the Bears tan contingent saw action and gave a good account of themselves. Lee was impressive as an offensive tackle.

For the Steelers, McClung, McClairen and Nisby rendered yeoman service in the offensive forward wall, while Tank Younger did his usual pulverizing job on the Bear guards and tackles, but Pittsburgh fumbles, penalties and poor timing nullified the efforts of Younger and Billy Wells in the backfield.

Pittsburgh scored on an intercepted pass by Dick Alban who ran 22 yards for the TD. Earlier, Tom Miner kicked a field goal from the Bear 45.

Lewis performed well with the Pittsburgh defensive unit. Mitchell and Jamison saw limited action, but showed promise during the times they were sent into the lineup on kickoffs and defense.

Galimore and Mitchell, Courier All-Americans, opposed each other in the Orange Bowl Classic in 1956.



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BIG BOYS — Quarterback Don Heinrich lifts two of his teammates for benefit of photographers at workout of New oYrk Giants pro football team at Bear Mountain, N. Y. The airborne players are tackles Roosevelt Brown (79) and Roosevelt Grier (83) the latter recently returned to the team after serving in the Army.

MIDDIES FACE RUGGED SCHEDULE

Navy's Green Squad Starts Work Tuesday

By BILL FUCHS
Star Staff Writer

Navy's football team, faced with one of its more rugged schedules and a job of reconstruction, swings into posed action tomorrow at Annapolis.

For the benefit of news cameramen, Coach Eddie Erdelatz's hopefuls will don game uniforms and go through the motions. They'll start two-a-day drills Tuesday, switching to one-a-day sessions September 8, first day of classes. Because of the earlier starting time for classwork, the Midshipmen get the jump on other college teams in the area.

Fresh from one of its finest seasons, climaxed by victory over Rice in the Cotton Bowl, Navy comes up against the likes of Michigan, Notre Dame, Maryland and Army in its nine-game schedule. Notre Dame and Maryland are to be met on successive Saturdays, November 1 and 8, in Baltimore.

Tulane Could Be Tough

Tulane in the Oyster Bowl game at Norfolk, also could present difficulties for Navy, while the Midshipmen figure to have few problems disposing of William and Mary, Boston University, Penn and George Washington. The game against GW November 15 will bring the Middies on a rare visit to Griffith Stadium.

Erdelatz, entering his ninth season at Navy, claims this will be his biggest rebuilding job. However, many observers look for Navy to have one of its more exciting teams, with the biggest quarterback Erdelatz has had since Bob Zastrow played eight years ago and a pair of backs with glowing reputations from their work with the Plebe team last year.

Three Top Backs Gone

The new quarterback is Joe Tranchini, 6-foot, 190-pound junior from Clairton, Pa., who saw some action last year as understudy to Tom Forrestal. Tranchini is a picture passer, who can throw far and accurately. His size also could make him more of a running threat than either Forrestal or George Welsh, Forrestal's predecessor.

Erdelatz lost three outstanding halfbacks in Ned Oldham, Harry Hurst and Ronnie Breece, but he's pretty well fixed at this position nevertheless. Capt. Dick Dagampat, last year's No. 1 fullback until he was injured in midseason, is being shifted to halfback, and three reserves from 1957—Dick Zembrzuski, Bob Correll and Roland Brandquist—also will be available.

But when anyone mentions running backs at the Naval Academy, a pair of new names always are dropped—Joe Bellino and Joe Matalavage. Halfback Bellino scored 13 touchdowns in seven games with the Plebes. He averaged more than 11 yards a carry and 100 yards a game. Fullback Matalavage, 6-foot-1, 197-pounder, is expected to give veteran Ray Wellborn a battle for the No. 1 spot. Wellborn took over the post after Dagampat was hurt and was the standout star of the Notre Dame game.

Comdr. Jack McQuary, who coached the Plebes last year, had this to say of the two new prospects: "I'll stake my judgment that Bellino is the finest prospect I've ever seen and before the season is over, somebody is going to have to move

DICK DAGAMPAT
Captain Shifts to Half

over and make room for Matalavage. They're the closest thing to Blanchard and Davis I've seen."

Erdelatz will risk no such predictions, but if this pair is only half as effective as Doc Blanchard and Glenn Davis were with Army during the war years, he'll be satisfied.

Besides Forrestal and the three halfbacks, Navy has lost Quarterback Pat Flood and three top ends, Pete Jokanovich, Wayne McKee and John Ruth, but Tom Hyde, former Washington-Lee High star; John Kanuch and John Shirreffs, all lettermen, are back.

All-America Bob Reifsnyder and his understudy, Larry Boyer, are Navy's only experienced tackles returning. Gone are Tony Anthony, Jim Martinez, Bill Meisel and Jim Valentine. Tony Stremic, Bob Caldwell and Charley Boyle, all top guards, have been graduated, but George Fritzinger and Don Chomicz are back, along with Milan Moncilovich, who figures to relieve Erdelatz of any worries regarding the center position.

Navy's schedule:

September 27—William & Mary at Annapolis.
October 4—At Boston U.
October 11—At Michigan.
October 18—Tulane at Norfolk (Oyster Bowl.)
October 25—Penn at Philadelphia.
November 1—Notre Dame at Baltimore.
November 8—Maryland at Baltimore.
November 15—At George Washington.
November 29—Army at Philadelphia.

New Dorp Senior Conquers Injury

Isler Plays Football After Suffering a Fractured Spine

By HOWARD M. TUCKNER

From the outside, the little house at 258 Bradley Avenue in Staten Island looks the same as it did last December. There are a few cracks in the front steps, the fram of the red brick house still requires some work and at the foot of the front door there is the same worn rubber mat that says "welcome."

Inside, though, there is no sign of the sorrow that [illegible] the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Isler last winter. Their son, Ronald, perhaps the finest athlete in the history of New Dorp High School, is playing football again.

When a reporter visited the Isler home last winter, there was some doubt that the 17-year-old senior would walk again.

Ronald was struck [illegible] December by a hit-and-run driver who later surrendered to the police. The athlete suffered a fractured spine, kidney and spleen injuries and deep facial cuts. The spine was fractured at the sacrum and because of the angle of the break, doctors were unable to set the bones properly.

An All-City Player

As a sophomore, Ronald won all-city honors in football and baseball. He showed equal ability in basketball and was expected to be a regular on New Dorp's quintet last season.

Before the acciden, college football scouts wooed the triple-threat tailback by mail and scouts from six major league teams were prepared to offer him bonuses when he finished school.

Joe Labate, a scout for the Philadelphia Phillies, rated Ronald the best scholastic shortstop in the nation.

Following the injury, Ronald was bedridden for two months. He never lost faith. He vowed he would play again. Early last February his doctors advised him to test his legs. He began to walk again. By mid-February he was back in school, but athletics were out of the question.

Then, late last term, Sal Somma, New Dorp's head football coach, invited Ronald to assist him as backfield coach this fall. At first Ronald went to practice in street clothes. Then he turned up in a sweat suit. Soon he was participating in non-tackling drills.

A Ray of Hope

One afternoon, during a punting drill, Ronald caught the football, started upfield, tripped and fell on his back. There was no pain. Perhaps the doctors had been mistaken, he thought. Was there a chance he could play again?

Isler and his father visited three specialists. They were reluctant to allow him to play, but they left the decision to Ronnie and the senior Isler.

"I had to let him play football again," Mr. Isler said. "Sports is is life. I know there will be some who will criticize me for this, but without sports he just isn't the same boy. I felt he had to find out once and for all if he could play again."

Ronie had his first football test since the accident in a scrimmage against Evander early last September. On the first series of plays the New Dorp quarterback sent Ronnie off tackle. No pain. A few plays later Ronnie again slammed off tackle and was hit hard. Again no pain.

When the season opened Ronnie was at tailback for New Dorp. He has played in every game and he is performing better than ever. In five games he has scored 52 points, passed for four touchdowns and has been averaging 45 yards on punts.

Scoring Lead Within Reach

Today New Dorp, which is undefeated, meets Brooklyn Tech at Staten Island. Isler needs only two points to surpass Al Leibowitz of New Utrecht as the Public Schools Athletic Association's leading scorer.

To protect his injury the 5-foot 8-inch, 170-pound athlete wears the same kind of girdle used by professional football players. A thick, foam rubber sponge is taped to his back before each practice session and game.

How does Ronnie feel when he carries the ball?

"I just wonder if the play will work," he said. "That's the only thing I think about. But when I'm hit, I'm afraid to get up. I pray there will be no pain. I pray everything will be all right."

Ronald has a weekly medical examination and thus far the injury to his spine has not been aggravated. If his son has any pain at all, Mr. Isler said, he would force him to quit the team.

"Would you tell your father if you had pain?" Ronald was asked.

He hesitated, then looked at his father and said, "I don't think I'd tell him."

Mr. Isler nodded. He wasn't surprised.

The New York Times

Ronald Isler, New Dorp star, with his father, Jacques

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Pittsburgh, Pa.

By BILL NUNN JR., Sports Editor

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—The elite of Negro golf from all over the country are gathered here this week for the 32nd annual United Golfers Association Tournament scheduled to be played over the picturesque fairways of North and South Park, Aug. 25-29.

According to George Harris, president of the Yorkshire Golf Club, host for the gala five-day event, a record turnout is expected to challenge the hilly terrain of the city's two toughest public courses."

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"From the response that has been coming in from all parts of the country we expect to have a larger entry field than the more than 400 golfers who took part in the tournament in Washington D. C. last year," Harris said.

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BACK TO defend the professional title he captured last year will be Ted Rhodes, the smooth swinging money player from Chicago. Rhodes, along with a bumper crop of pro par busters, will be shooting for the $1,500 purse being offered to the touring professionals.

Expected to provide Rhodes with the majority of competition for the professional toga will be cigar-smoking Charlie Sifford, formerly of Philadelphia and currently playing out of Los Angeles. Playing in limited competition along the Professional Golfers Association tournament trail, Sifford has been the most consistent Negro player on the tour.

Other professionals who rate more than a second glance are Moss Brooks, Howard Wheeler and Zeke Hartsfield.

As has always been the case of the most rugged fairway battle is expected to take place among the men simon-pures where the entry field looks like the "Who's Who" of the amateur ranks.

Howard Brown, nerveless Detroit belter, will be back to try and retain the championship he won in Washington last year. He will be up against a field that is jam-packed with celebrities and standout golfers.

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THE MEN who will qualify for one of 16 different flights, Monday, Aug. 25, at North Park, will swing into match play from that point on.

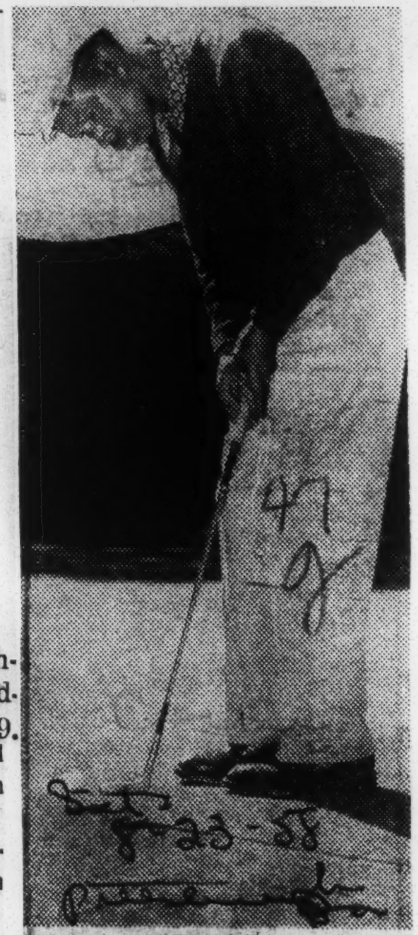
Among those given a golden opportunity to come away with the top prize are Joe Louis, formerr heavyweight champion; former UGA champion Gordon Goodson of Harrisburg, Pa.; Clifford Brown, Cleveland; Leroy Tyrus, St. Louis; Flowers of Baltimore and Jerry Sumpter of Pittsburgh, who has been a tower of strength this year on his home course.

Also slated to take part in the tourney is singer Billy Eckstine, who arrived in Pittsburgh two weeks before the event and has been playing every day in an effort to get his game into top shape.

Ann Gregory, one of the most consistent of UGA champions and the defending ladies queen, is an odds favorite to retain her title.

Women golfers, along with senior men, will play over the South Park course.

Junior entries will play in two age groups, 9 to 14 and 15 to 17, inclusive. This division will play its rounds over the North Park course on Thursday and Friday, Aug. 28 and 29. The professional division begins play on Tuesday, Aug. 26, in the afternoon. On the second day, the pro ranks will be cut to 36 players.



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Three Qualify

Top Negro Golfers In Public Links Meet

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PITTSBURGH, Pa.—When amateur golfers from all over the country tee off for the National Public Links Open Golf Tournament at the Silver Lake Golf Club, Orland, Ill., July 7 to 12, at least three Negroes will be among the star-studded aggregation.

Pittsburgh

Last week, three Negroes, two from Cleveland and one from Pittsburgh, qualified for the highly regarded amateur tourney.

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Making the grade in Pittsburgh was Jerry Sumpter, veteran amateur golfer and a member of the Yorkshire Golf Club, with a 36-hole total of 151, which put him in a tie with the other two top qualifiers in the 59-man field.

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SUMPTER, 39, shot rounds of 79 and 72 for his 151 aggregate. His final round was the lowest of 18-hole total of all the qualifiers. It was also the second time that Sumpter, a regular on the United Golf Association tournament trail, had qualified for the Public Links tourney.

In Cleveland, Ohio, Robert Turner and Clifford Brown became the first two Negroes to ever qualify for the Public Links championships from that city.

Turner qualified for the event with 150, tops for the field, with identical rounds of 75.

Brown, on the other hand, had an aggregate of 151 on rounds of 75 and 76.

Both players generally compete under the banner of the Sixth City Golf Club.

Rhodes wins Gotham Open with 210; $1,000 prize biggest in six years

By SAMUEL A. HAYNES

FLORHAM PARK — Ted Rhodes, the 44-year-old shotmaker from St. Louis, played brilliantly here last week to win the Gotham Open golf championship by a six-stroke margin.

The five-time national colored Open champion put together a 69, 72, 69 for a total of 210 to take home the $1,000 top prize.

It has been six years since Rhodes won such a bug stake, after winning the $1,000 first prize in the "Loe Louis Open" in Detroit.

CHARLES SIFFORD of Philadelphia, the 1957 Long Beach Open Champion and four-time colored national champion, took second prize of $500. He tallied 69-74 and 73 for a total of 216.

Tied for third place honors were Stan Mosel of Essex Fells, N.J., former State Open and PGA champion, and Al Mengert of Echo Lake, N.J., with 220 each.

Dick Thomas, the 25-year-old Baltimore, Md. school teacher, and the only member of his race to qualify for the U.S. Open this year had 74-75-75 for 224.

Both Rhodes and Sifford posted 69s in the first round.

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HOWARD WHEELER of Philadelphia, often referred to as the "Satchel Paige" of golf, and a government employee, was among the prominent players. He won his first championship 30 years ago.

But Jackie Robinson, former Brooklyn Dodgers baseball star, now a New York business executive, attracted the greatest attention as the only non-golfer to show on the opening day.

A field of 96 was outplayed by Rhodes on the long 6,800-yard Blue Elms Golf Course.

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IT WAS a great comeback for Rhodes who fell by the wayside with a third round 78 in the Eastern Open Championships in Baltimore, Md. two weeks ago.

Rhodes and Sifford, two of the best professional players in the country, are barred from membership in the Professional Golfers Association (PGA) because of a racial ban.

The $2,565 prize money was contributed by P. Ballantine and Sons, the nationally famous Newark brewery.

Greensboro golfers ask new trial

By LOUIS LAUTIER

WASHINGTON (NNPA) — Six colored persons are seeking a review by the United States Supreme Court of their conviction and sentences on a charge of trespassing and playing golf on a course which the city of Greensboro, N.C., sought to lease to a nonprofit corporation after the Federal District Court ruled that colored golfers could not be barred from playing on it.

The petitioners are Dr. Phillip Cooke, a dentist; Leon Wolfe, George Simkins Jr., Joseph Sturdivant, Samuel Murray and Elijah H. Herring.

A battery of lawyers representing them includes J. Alston Atkins and Harold L. and Annie Brown Kennedy of Winston-Salam, N.C.; C. O. Person, Durham, N.C.; Cater W. Wesley, Houston, Texas; and James M. Nabrit Jr., Washington, D.C.

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ACCORDING TO the petition, the Greensboro Municipal-County Court in December, 1954, issued a warrant charging the petitioners had trespassed on the property of the Gillespie Park Golf Course, Inc. They were found guilty and appealed to the Superior Court.

The warrants were amended in the Superior Court to charge the petitioners with trespassing on the property of the Gillespie Park Golf Club, Inc. They were convicted of the charge in the amended warrant.

On appeal the North Carolina Supreme Court held that the amended warrant, by substituting another property owner, charged a different offense from the one originally charged. The court said the petitioners could be tried under the original warrant since the Superior Court was without authority to allow the amendment changing the offense.

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THE PETITIONERS were then arrested on a new warrant, charging the identical trespass for the identical acts covered by the first set of warrants. They were tried, convicted and sentenced in the Municipal-County Court on the second set of warrants.

On appeal, they were sentenced to 12 days in jail. The North Carolina Supreme Court upheld the convictions. The petitioners are seeking a review of that judgment.

The effect of the decision by Federal Judge Johnson J. Hayes on March 18, 1957, is one of the chief issues in the case. He held that colored persons had been denied, because of their color, equal use of the golf course which was owned by the Board of Education and the City of Greensboro.

He restrained the board and the city from discriminating against colored persons so long as the golf course was owned by the board and the city.

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AT A HEARING on the motion to quash the warrants, the Superior Court refused to take judicial notice of the Federal District Court decision. The North Carolina Supreme Court said a motion to quash was not the proper means of testing the guilt or innocence of an offense properly charged.

After colored persons sought to play on the course in 1949, the City of Greensboro and the Board of Education leased the course to the Gillespie Park Golf Club, a nonprofit corporation organized solely to take the lease and maintain and operate the course as a public golf course.

When colored persons asked to play on the course they were told they would have to be members. The petitioners state that there was no intention of permitting them to be members or play on the course.

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THE SIX petitioners presented themselves at the desk of the man in charge of the course, laid down 75 cents each and asked to play. They were refused permission. They insisted on their right to play and played three holes.

While they were playing the third hole, the manager ordered them to leave. They refused to do so. The manager swore out warrants charging each of them with trespassing.

In urging a review of the case, the petitioners say this is the first time since the 1954 decision in the school segregation cases that any state has undertaken to make a crime out of the exercise of constitutional rights.

The petitioners contend that at the time the warrants were issued, the Gillespie Park Golf Course bore "the imprimatur (stamp)" of the 14th Amendment and that its use by colored golfers could not be made illegal by North Carolina statutes and any such statute must give way as unconstitutional because it collides with the Federal consttution.

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Wheeler Wins UGA Title

PITTSBURGH — (UPI) — Howard Wheeler of Philadelphia fired a sizzling 66 to overtake the early leaders and win the $1,500 Negro National Open professional golf tournament with a 282 total.

Wheeler's concluding round set an official record at the North Park course here and assured him of winning money of $500. He has won this tourney six times.

Dick Thomas, a Baltimore pro who had led the field of 40 up to the halfway mark, shot a disappointing 77 for a 283 total and $325.

SIFFORD, RHODES TRAIL

Charles Sifford of Philadelphia followed with a total of 284. Defending champ Ted Rhodes, of St. Louis was barely in the money with 293.

In the men's amateur championship, Alfred Holmes of Atlanta, a two-time winner, took honors by defeating Robert Turner of Cleveland 5 and 4, in a 36-hole match.

Vernice Turner, Ocean City, N. J. captured top place in the women's division with a win over Myrtle Patterson, New York.

The senior men's crown went to James Burris, Jacksonville, Fla., who defeated Dr. C. O. Hilton, Newark, N. J.

In the boy's division under 14 years, Francis Barrett, jr., 10, son of the North Park pro, registered a victory with an 18-hole score of 138. Runners up were Alan Kendrix, Washington, D. C., 11, with 142, and Charles Sifford, jr., 10, Philadelphia, with 150.

WILSON BOY'S WINNER

Andre Wilson, a 14-year-old Philadelphian, shot 160 for 36 holes to capture the boy's division 14-17. Thomas Hill, 16, Washington, D. C., had 167, and Lawrence Long, 14, Detroit, had 173.

Two-time winner Shirley Turner, 17, Detroit, had a 209 score for 36 holes in the girl's division. Runners-up were Renee Powell, 12, East Canton, Ohio, with 209, and Wanita Arvin, 16, Baltimore, with 231.

Final scores and winnings in the Open:

Howard Wheeler, Philadelphia, 282, $500

Richard Thomas, Baltimore, 284, $325

Charles Sifford, Philadelphia, 284, $225

William Bishop, Philadelphia, 287, $125

Willie Moseley, Detroit, 289, $100

Lee Elder, Los Angeles, 291, $75

Marion Williams, Detroit, 291, $75

Clifton Harrington, Ft. Campbell, Ky., 292, $40

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Ted Rhodes, St. Louis, 293, $20

Walter Stewart, Baltimore, 294, $15

Wheeler captures UGA golf crown

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Howard Wheeler, more famous for his unorthodox style of play than for his consistency, captured the national golf championship here last week.

The crosshanded star from Philadelphia toured the North Park course in a sizzling 66 on Friday, to complete a 282 card that sealed the 1958 title. His margin was by a mere stroke.

It was a sort of comeback triumph for the Quaker City's ex-caddy, for he had been shut out in recent years after taking the title five times in the mid and late 1940's.

RUNNERUP WAS Dick Thomas of Baltimore, who had led through the first three rounds. He carded a 72-70 today for a 283 total. Charley Sifford, a four-time champion from Philadelphia, shot a 73-68 for a 284 total and third place.

Wheeler, a veteran golfer who declines to give his age, had won the title in 1933, 138, 1946, 1947 and 1948.

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ALFRED HOLMES, a 40-year-old machinists union representative from Atlanta, won the amateur tournament by defeating medalist Bob Turner of Cleveland, 5 anl 4.

The women's title was captured by Vernice Turner, of Ocean City, N.J. She beat Myrtle Patterson, of New York, 2 and 1, in the final.

In Eastern Golf Tourney

Wheeler, Holloway, and Mrs. Turner UGA Winners

ALLENTOWN, Pa. — A continuous downpour of rain failed to halt the scheduled United Golfers Association Eastern Division Tournament at Allentown, Pa., last weekend where 130 ardent golfers vied for honors in pro and amateur divisions.

Mrs. Parris Brown, Washington, D. C., UGA Tournament director, and her assistant, "Starter" Reddick, of Philadelphia, reported golfers from six eastern seaboard states journeyed to the beautiful but difficult Pennsylvania course to participate.

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HOWARD WHEELER, Philadelphia, was first place winner in the pro division at 148 for 36 holes, having a two under par 71 for the final round. William Mays, Washington, D. C., and Richard Thomas, Annapolis, Md., tied for second place with 150, and Walter Steward, Baltimore, was third place winner.

Thomas was the only Negro to qualify in the National Open played at Tulsa, Okla.

In the amateur division, James Holloway, of New Jersey, was first place winner, followed by Harold Wyatt, New York, in second place, and Murray Street, of Baltimore, third place.

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THE WOMEN'S amateur division winners were Mrs. Vernice Turner, Ocean City, N. J., first place; Mrs. Frances Mays, Washington, D C., second place, and Mrs. Ethe Funches of Washington, D. C. third place. Mrs. Mays and Mrs. Turner were tied for first place and completed a play-off.

In the amateur men's division, winners by flight were: First Flight: R. Miller, New York, first place; Larry Boone New York, second place, and Joe Terry, Philadelphia, third olace.

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SECOND FLIGHT: David Turner, Ocean City, N. J., first place; Orren Whitting, Washington, D. C., second place, and C. Cabell, Washington, third place.

Third Flight: Jack Coke, Philadelphia, first place; R. Cole, N. J., second place, and F. D. Pickney, Baltimore, third place.

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AMATEUR WOMEN'S Division winners by flight: First Flight: Mrs. Elizabeth Rich, Washington, first place; Mrs. Alma Arvin, Baltimore, second place, and Mrs. Amelia Lucas, Washington, third place.

Second Flight: Mrs. Bernice Starke of Philadelphia, first place; Mrs. J. Brown, Philadelphia, second place, and Mrs. Jeanette Barber, Washington, third place.

2 Negro Youths Win Golf Championship

DETROIT—For the first time in the history of the contest, a Negro won the City Junior Amateur Golf championship. Not just one Negro, either, but two.

The two: Bill Long of 2946 Leslie, and Terry Ramsey, of 8303 Bryden, shared a three-way tie for first play in the tourney with a white youth, Randall Petresh, of 19724 Dale. All three are 14-year olds. And each shot 84 in the 18-hole contest.

Long's score was technically incorrect. He lost two points in the marking by error.

But he was happy, nevertheless, to share the title with the two other boys.

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YOUNG RAMSEY. has been playing for five years. An honor student at McKenzie High School, the diminutive youngster carries a tremendous wallop in his thin forearms. He won both a medalist trophy and a championship flight trophy in the Dayton Junior Championship Flight tournament in 1957.

Long got his first taste of tournament play this year. A native of Memphis, Tenn., the tall, slender youngster caddied in Tennessee, and is presently a caddy in Franklin Hills golf course.

He and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Long, arrived here from Tennessee just eight months ago.

The three boys scored their wins under handicaps. The entire golf course in Palmer Park was under a heavy fog.

Ramsey has been dubbed "a pint-sized Ben Hogan." Golf critics are predicting a great future for him in the game. He is a caddy at Palmer Park.

THE YOUNGSTER got into golf by accident. His father, George, a clerk with a city agency, was sitting him one day when a friend came by and urged him to go golfing. Naturally, he took his then 10-year-old son along. While the father was getting into the swing of things, the youngster picked up a club and began to hit a few.

Before he knew it, Terry had caught the knack of the thing and was ahead of his father in the game.

As a result of their momentous win, both are members of the Detroit Amateur Golf Club. More than 1,000 youngsters entered the contest, and only 125 survived to the finals. Of this number only three were Negroes. And two of them won the title.

The boys were all aglow over the win. So were their parents.

The tournament is sponsored by the Detroit Free Press.

WHEELER AND HOLMES CAPTURE NATIONAL GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Wheeler, six time winner of the event, carded 282 and won $500 first prize. Dick Thomas, Baltimore pro, who had led the field through the first three rounds, shot a 70 in the final round for a total 283 and second place honors. He won $325.

Charles Sifford, Philadelphia, was third with 284, and William Bishop, Philadelphia, placed fourth with 287. Defending champion Ted Rhodes, St. Louis, carded a 293 to finish barely in the money.

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ALFRED HOLMES NEW AMATEUR CHAMPION

Atlanta

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Golf New Headache For Mobile

Chicago, Ill. Sat. 5-3-58

MOBILE, Ala. — (ANP) — Negro golf enthusiasts can't use the city's new municipal golf course because it "is a white man's golf course." Yet the city can't afford to give Negroes a golf course for themselves, because it doesn't have the money.

This line of reasoning was voiced by two city commissioners last week as they announced intentions of fighting a suit brought by three Negroes in federal district court seeking integration of the golf course.

HIRE SPECIAL COUNSEL TO "DEFEND THE CITY"

The commissioners, Charles F. Hackmeyer and Henry R. Luscher said they may hire special counsel to work with city Atty. Fred G. Collins to defend the city.

Hackmeyer said:

"We have been doing everything within our power and our financial limits to give the colored people fine recreational facilities. The new recreation center we are building for them at Harmon Park will be the finest in this area. We would like to give them just as fine a golf course as we have for the white people. But it's a question of money.

"But above all else, we intend to do everything legally possible to maintain segregation."

Mobile Seeks Dismissal Of Golf Integration Suit

Advertiser Mon. 5-6-58

MOBILE (AP) — The City of Mobile cited three contentions Monday in seeking dismissal of a federal suit in which a group of Negroes has asked that the new municipal golf course be opened to them.

Montgomery Ala.

The suit was filed April 11 by three Mobile Negroes, John H. Sawyer, Samuel L. Andrews Sr., and Charles Sidney Goodman. They claimed their constitutional rights were denied by the announced refusal of the City Commission on March 12 to integrate the course.

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In the dismissal petition filed Monday, City Atty. Fred Collins said the Negroes failed to show specifically that they had been denied any rights and privileges.

He contended further that the complaint showed the City Commission operates the course "in furtherance of a private proprietary function of the City of Mobile and not in furtherance of a public government function of said city."

Collins' third allegation was that the petition failed to show that the plaintiffs were ready and willing to abide by all rules governing use of the course.

The Mobile Negroes had said they are forced to go to Pensacola, Fla., 60 miles away, in order to play golf.

Jacksonville Suit Planned To Mix City Golf Courses

Advertiser

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP)—An attorney told the city commission Thursday he will file a federal court suit to force integration of the races on Jacksonville's two municipal golf courses.

Montgomery Ala.

Ernest D. Jackson Sr. informed the commission of his intention after the board denied a plea by four Negroes to play on the courses any day of the week.

Negroes now are permitted to use the Brentwood course on Mondays and the Hyde Park courses on Fridays. The courses are reserved for white players all other days.

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The petition which the commission unanimously rejected was signed by four Negroes who tried to purchase tickets at the two courses Tuesday.

Jacksonville Nixes Daily Golf Course Use Request

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By United Press International

The Jacksonville, Fla., City Commission Thursday rejected a request that Negroes be granted daily playing privileges on the city's two municipal golf courses.

This rejection highlighted another full day of segregation activity reports from throughout the South.

In other action: The Durham, N. C., board of education answered a federal integration suit by two Negro mothers with the claim that the state's Pearsall Plan is constitutional; Virginia Gov. J. Lindsay Almond said he thinks a proposal for meeting desegregation problems at Charlottesville, Va., will conform to state segregation policies; a state senator in Mississippi said his legislative investigating group has started a probe of the NAACP.

The Jacksonville commission turned down the Negro petition after Parks Commissioner Dallas Thomas said the majority of Negro golfers seemed satisfied with an arrangement under which they use one course on Monday and the other on Friday.

Thomas said revenue at the courses on the days that Negroes used them was $500 to $600 less than on other days. He asked that the petition be denied for "sound business reasons," but said he expected a federal suit would be filed within a week seeking an injunction to force the city to open its golf courses to Negroes daily.

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The board said the Negroes had not exhausted administrative remedies available under the Pearsall Plan which provides for local option closing of schools in face of "intolerable" situations and provides for tuition grants for private schooling.

The proposed plan for Charlottesville schools, under court order to desegregate this fall, has been described as an administration program for handling some 30 Negro applications for admission to white schools in the Virginia city. Gov. Almond said he did not know details of the program but that he does know that the school board's attorney, John S. Battle Jr., "is not going to advise them (the board) on anything contrary to the state's present policy."

Virginia is presently standing staunchly against desegregation on a "massive resistance" plan which calls for closing public schools before allowing any integration.

In Mississippi, State Sen. Stanon Hall said his group which is investigating the NAACP has heard "one or two" witnesses and collected some "preliminary information." He said the committee, set up by the 1958 legislature, would hold public hearings later. An NAACP spokesman said the committee had not subpoenaed any of the Negro organization's records or officials.

Thomas ousted from Open golf

Gov. American

TULSA, Okla.—Unable to better 82 on his second day of play, Richard (Dick) Thomas of Baltimore, Md., faded from the field of the National Open Golf championships here last weekend.

Baltimore

Thomas carded a creditable 76 on his opening round at the rugged Southern Hills course on Thursday, scoring even 38's on both the outgoing and incoming nine holes.

Fri. 6-21-58

THE TWO-DAY card of the 26-year-old Annapolis links hope totalled 158, just four strokes out of the charmed circle of qualifiers.

Thomas supporters may have received some consolation from the fact that he had some celebrated company in his failure to remain in the running.

Out along with Thomas were such big golf names as Sam Snead (155), Mike Souchak (155), Bob Toski (156), Roberto Vicenzo (158), Skee Riegel (159), Ed Furgol (159), and Sam Urzetta (162).

6-4 first year

INSTITUTE, W. Va. — Coach Grant S. Gray, who served his first year as baseball coach at West Virginia State College, finished the season with six wins and four losses.

Bradley star signed

DETROIT — Shellie McMillon, three - letter varsity star at Bradley University, last week was signed to a pro basketball contract with the Detroit Pistons of the NBA.

Daily Golf Course Use In Jacksonville Sought

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — (UPI) — Attorney Ernest J. Jackson, Sr., filed suit in federal court Thursday, seeking to have the city's municipal golf courses opened to Negroes on a daily basis.

Jackson, an attorney for the NAACP, asked for an injunction to restrain the city from denying Negroes from playing on the golf courses on the same basis as white persons.

The complaint stated that four Negroes sought to play on the two links last week and were turned away because of an ordinance forbidding Negroes to play there except on Monday or Friday.

Jackson previously petitioned the city commission to let Negroes play every day, but his request was rejected.

Negroes are permitted to play on municipal courses here two days a week as a result of a 1954 commission decision.

However, four men attempted to play June 24, on a Tuesday, but were turned away.

SEEK FREE ACCESS

Negroes File Suit Over Golf Issue

The U.S. District Court yesterday was asked to issue an injunction restraining the City of Jacksonville from denying Negroes free access to the municipal golf courses.

The suit was brought by Frank Hampton, a Negro city policeman, Edward Joseph Norman, Davoye Austin Brown and Charles M. Brown, "for themselves and for all other colored citizens of Jacksonville, Fla., similarly situated."

Named as defendants are the City of Jacksonville, the Board of Commissioners of the City of Jacksonville, their agents, employes and servants.

Injunction Sought

Filed by Ernest D. Jackson Sr., Negro attorney, the suit asks the court for two measures of relief. It asks that the court declare the custom of limiting Negroes' use of the golf course to two days each week to be unconstitutional; and it asks that the court issue a temporary and permanent injunction restraining the city from denying Negroes free access to the golf courses.

The petition for a declaratory judgment and injunction relates the incidents leading up to the denial, on June 24, of playing privileges to the four Negroes listed as plaintiffs.

It recounts that prior to 1954 Negroes were barred from the local public courses, but that since that time Brentwood Golf Course has been opened to their play on Mondays and Hyde Park Golf Course on Fridays. The Negroes are excluded on other days, the petition notes.

Commission Denies Plea

After the four were denied access to the courses on June 24—a Tuesday—a petition was filed with the City Commission asking that the two-day rule be eliminated and that golf course tickets not be sold on a basis of race or color. This petition was denied, the suit states.

The court is asked to determine if the city, in denying the plaintiffs use of the public golf courses on account of race or color, is in violation of the U. S. Constitution's 14th amendment and the Civil Rights Act.

Notice of the suit probably will be served on city officials Monday. The city will have 20 days from the date of service in which to answer the action.

Negro Golfers Lose Links Bid

Florida City Denies Them Daily Playing Privileges

OTHER RACE ACTION

By United Press International

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Herman L. Scott

Post Times Herald Washington D.C.

Herman L. Scott, 47, a Senate library aide since 1930 died in Casualty Hospital Tuesday after suffering a heart attack in the Capitol.

Mr. Scott

A native of Washington, Mr. Scott attended Burrville Elementary School and Armstrong High School, and was appointed to the library post by the late John C. Crockett, chief clerk of the Senate.

He was president of the Eastern Golf Association, past president of the Royal Golf Club of Washington, and winner of several trophies. He lived at 724 Madison st. nw.

He was a 32d degree Mason, a Shriner, a member of Jonathan Davis Consistory No. 1, past master of Redemption Lodge No. 24, and officer of the Grand Lodge, and a member of Mecca Temple No. 10.

Mr. Scott is survived by his mother, Emma L. Scott, 1421 5th st. nw., two brothers, Robert L., of Detroit, Mich., and Charles E., of 3181 Stanton rd. se.

Funeral services will be held at noon Monday at the Mt. Airy Baptist Church, 17 L st. nw. Burial will be at Arlington National Cemetery.

Trespassers On Golf Course To Appeal Case

Star 2-21-58

GREENSBORO, N. C. — (INS) — Six Negroes sentenced to 15-day jail terms for trespassing on the allwhite Gillespie golf course in Greensboro vowed Tuesday to appeal to the highest courts.

The six, convicted by an all white jury last Friday, were sentenced by Judge George M. Fountain Monday.

The judge set bond at $200 for each defendant.

The six had received 30-day terms for the trespassing in a December, 1956 trial, but were granted a new hearing by the State Supreme court.

The Gillespie course is city-owned, but has been leased to a private corporation.

Attorneys for the six Negroes claim that since the course belongs to the city it must be considered public property.

They have appealed to the State Supreme court again and plan to carry their fight to the U. S. Supreme court if necessary.

Golf case headed for high court

GREENSBORO, N.C. — The case of six golfers, twice convicted on "trespassing" charge in a test case of the "white only" policy of the local golf course, is headed for a second time to the State Supreme Court and, possibly, the U.S. Supreme Court.

Baltimore American

The golfers, convicted by an all white jury last week for the second time on charges of trespassing on the Gillespie Park Golf Club property, are Philip Cooke, Elijah H. Herring Sr., Samuel Murray, Dr. George Simkins Jr., Joseph Sturdivant and Leon Wolfe.

The case began back in 1956 when the sextette sought to use the course in an effort to break the exclusively white policy of the city-owned facility, only to be arrested on a charge of trespassing.

Baltimore

AT THEIR FIRST trial in December, 1956, all six were convicted on the trespassing counts and sentenced to serve 30-day jail sentences. All six appealed the verdict in the case — which all and sundry recognized as a test case.

The State Supreme Court reversed the convictions, granted the men a new trial after finding that the warrants had been amended between the time of their arrest and the time of trial and remanded the case to Superior Court here.

All were again convicted at the trial last week, but this time each was given a 15-day jail sentence, just half of the punishment meted out in their first trial. Nevertheless, all six again noted appeals to the State Supreme Court.

A source that declined to be quoted by name said the men intend to go all the way to the Supreme Court of the United States and back again, if necessary.

James Union Jacksonville Fla

TO PLAY IN TOURNAMENT

James J. Hammonds, local amateur golfer and one of the trophy winners in the 1957 Gate City Open Golf Tournament, is scheduled to enter this year's event to be held at the Brentwood Municipal Course April 3-6. Hammonds is chairman of the membership committee of the Jacksonville Amateur Golfers Guild.

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Negroes golf plea rejected

MOBILE, Ala., March 13—(AP)—The City Commission rejected a request by a group of Negroes to let members of their race play at the municipal golf course.

Mayor Joseph N. Langan and Commissioners Charles Hackmeyer and Henry R. Luscher said they informed the group that play on the new 18-hole course will be restricted to white persons.

Langan said the Negroes represented about 25 to 30 Mobile Negroes who usually go to Pensacola, Fla., 60 miles to the East, to play on the municipal course there.

The Pensacola course is open to both races, but there are separate club houses.

Birmingham Ala. Post 3-13-58

UCA Golfers Will Gather In St. Louis

Defender P. 23 Chicago, Ill. Sat. 5-3-58

ST. LOUIS — The most attractive schedule of UCA sanctioned golf tournaments in history has been arranged for the 1958 season. First on the schedule is the Mack McCollum Open Amateur May 24-25, St. Louis.

The McCollum tournament is a 36-hole medical play contest over the rugged Forest Park 18-hole lay-out.

Players unable to play their qualifying round on Saturday will be permitted to play 36 holes on Sunday provided they start their qualifying round not later than 7:30 a.m., on Sunday.

Players may complete 36-holes on Saturday provided the second round is started not later than 2 p.m. Five flights are scheduled for men and three for women. Three beautiful trophies will be awarded in each flight.

The Forest Park Course is in its best shape in years. Superintendent Mitchell has rebuilt many greens and has added grass tees.

However, the row of Poplar trees along the boundary of the fifth hole will probably evoke the most comment from the slicing delegation.

Elton Gadndberry, Memphis, will be on band to defend nis title against an array of golfers from all over the mid-west. Gail Patton, St. Louis, will also be on hand to defend her title in the Women's Division.

Because of recent Supreme Court rulings concerning availability of golf courses to Negroes, many golfers new to the tournament trail will be in St. Louis from such cities as Memphis, Nashville, Louisville, Iittle Rock, and Dallas.

More than 150 golfers have indicated they would enter the Seventh Annual Mack McCollum Tournament.

Golf Tournament Open To All

Defender, Chicago Ill.
Apr 3-22-58

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — The 4th Annual Gate City Open Golf Tournament which will be held on the Brentwood Municipal Golf Course on April 4, 4, 5 and 6, is one of the best attended in this section of the country.

The 1957 Gate City Open drew a field of over 100 players from all over the nation.

It is eypected that Charles Sifford, 1957 top professional winner in the Gate City Open from Philadelphia, Pa., will be on hand to defend his title and that Tom Brown of Tampa, Fla., will defend his title among the amateurs.

This year's event has received national newspaper and magazine coverage and this should help to bring new players to Florida to play on one of the best municipal owned courses in the state.

OPEN TOURNAMENT

The Gate City Open is open to all golfers across the nation. It is not necessary to be affiliated with any particular golf club in order to play.

This is a public invitation to all golfers.

J. E. Hutchins, local businessman and sponsor of the Gate City Open during the past, announces that all proceeds beyond operational expenses are pledged to local charity.

At Springs Course

Negro Golfers Win New Round

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By RONALD YORK
Herald Staff Writer

Negro golfers won another round Wednesday in their two-year legal fight for full golfing privileges at Miami Springs Country Club golf course.

Herald 10-27

The Fifth Court of Appeals in New Orleans upheld a Miami Federal Court decision ordering integration of the City of Miami owned course.

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Miami, Fla.

But it appeared a final order lowering racial bars would not become effective immediately.

The Miami court will not get the appellate court's official mandate for several weeks. And the city has two more legal tactics it can use — an appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court or a rehearing by the Fifth Circuit Court.

"It doesn't come as a surprise to me," said City Attorney William Pallot when told of Wednesday's decision.

G. E. Graves Jr., attorney for Negro petitioners, said he wasn't surprised, either.

"It just means we can play golf every day of the week on that golf course," Greaves said.

Federal Judge Emett C. Choate ordered the course opened May 10, 1957. His order was delayed by the appeal.

The Miami suit was filed March 23, 1956. Negroes at present are allowed to use the course one day a week.

Court Asked To "Move" Racial Bars At Mobile Golf Course

Wed. 4-16-58

MOBILE, Ala (SNS)—Three Negro golfers here April 11 asked the U. S. District Court to remove the racial bars erected at the new 18-hole Mobile municipal golf couse scheduled to be dedicated Saturday, April '9 It has been open for play since Labor Day.

Suing to open the way for Negro golfers to use the golf links John H. Sawyer, Samuel L. Andrews and Charles Sidney Goodman.

The complaint was filed on behalf of the three plaintiffs by Vernon C. Crawford and Clarence Moses, two of the 14 Negro lawyers in Alabama. Both live in Mobile.

Named as defendants were Mayor Joseph N. Langan, Commissioners Henry R. Luscher and Charles F. Hackmeyer and Tom Klumpp, professional at the course.

Meantime Commissioner Luscher said that he "intends to see that everything legally possible will be done to prevent an end to segregation on the course and in the park." The other two commissioners were not available for comment.

The petitioners, who claim to represent about 25 to 30 Negro golfers ,are asking for a speedy trial. They also ask for a permanent injunction to restrain the city commission from inteferring with the play of Negro golfers on the course.

About a month ago, Negro golfers petitioned the city commission to permit them to use the only Mobile city-owned golf course, which the city officials turned down. The Negro golfers said they had to travel about 60 miles to Pensacola to play golf on a city-owned course,

trict Court by three Negroes Friday.

Montgomery Ala

No hearing date has been set.

"We intend to fight this suit to the fullest extent," Hackmeyer said. "We intend, if necessary, to take it all the way through the courts."

Mayor Joseph Langan was not available for comment.

Hackmeyer said the city commission has ruled the new Municipal Golf Course "is a white man's golf course."

'FINEST IN AREA'

"We have been doing everything within out power and our financial limits to give the colored people fine recreational facilities. The new recreation center we are building for them at Harmon Park will be the finest in this area.

"We would like to give them just as fine a golf course as we have for the white people, but it's a question of money.

"But above all else, we intend to do everything legally possible to maintain segregation."

The civil suit filed in Federal Court last week contended that Negroes were denied their civil rights guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution through refusal by the commission to allow them to use the Municipal course.

The petition asks a permanent injunction to restrain the commission from interfering with Negroes' play at the course. It also asks $5,000 damages

Mobile Negro Suit Draws Vow Of Fight

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Tues. 4-15-58

MOBILE (AP)—Two members of the Mobile City Commission said Monday they will fight to the fullest extent a suit seeking to force the city to permit Negroes to play on the new Municipal Golf Course.

Commissioner Charles F. Hackmeyer and Henry R. Luscher said they are considering hiring special counsel to work with City Atty. Fred G. Collins in the case.

The suit was filed in U.S. Dis-

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MAN OF DISTINCTION — First tan player in the history of the National Hockey League (major league of the ice sport), is Willie O'Ree, left. He is shown here after being greeted by his running mate, wingman Fleming Mackell of the Boston Bruins. Called up from the Quebec farm of the Bruins, O'Ree is slated to finish the season with the classy Hub outfit.

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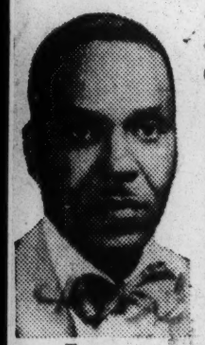
NEGRO TENNIS CHAMP SERVES HIGHER CAUSE

Tribune 4/1

Racial Amity Is Goal of Douglass Turner

BY ROI OTTLEY

Douglass R. Turner, former national Negro tennis singles champion and director of community services of the Chicago Commission on Human Relations, has made significant contributions to racial understanding in the city on the grass roots level.



Turner

He works daily with organizations and individuals to eliminate intergroup tension and hostility, offering guidance and assistance to increase understanding and coöperation among people of different racial and religious backgrounds.

Chicago Ill.

In evaluating the commission's work, Turner said that broadly speaking, major progress has been made by developing leaders in the diverse groups who can bridge the social and racial gaps.

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Stresses Hospital Gains

Specifically, according to him, the commission's most significant contribution is in helping to set the trend towards eliminatng hospital discrimination in terms of patient admissions and services.

His own concern about human relations followed his experiences as a college professor trying to find suitable professional outlets for Negro students, and his work after World War II as a vocational counselor trying to help rehabilitate veterans.

He began by becoming a volunteer in community betterment groups, such as the Kenwood-Hyde Park conference in 1948. He accepted employment with the commission in 1952 as its director of community services.

Native of Chicago

Turner, a native Chicagoan, was born March 10, 1910, one of three boys. His father, Alexander, was a postoffice employe. Young Turner attended Douglas Elementary school and Hyde Park High school, where he became interscholastic tennis singles champion and from which he was graduated in 1927.

He entered the University of Illinois, and was a member of the varsity tennis team and finalist in the Big Ten singles championship. He was graduated in 1931 with a B. S. degree, and earned an M. A. degree in 1934.

From 1931 to 1942 he taught chemistry in Prairie View State college, Prairie View, Tex.; Samuel Houston college, Austin, Tex.; West Virginia State college institute, W. Va[and Virginia State college, Petersburg, Va.

Instructor in Navy

Meanwhile, he became a civilian instructor in meteorology for the navy. He subsequently joined the navy, becoming a cief specialist teacher assigned to Hampton institute, Hampton, Va. After the war he accepted the post of director of veterans programs at Hampton.

Turner is married to the former Enid Lucas, a graduate of Wellesley college and a German teacher at Hyde Park High school. They have three daughters, Sherry, 10; Wendy, 12, and Tamara, 18, a student at Barnard college.

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AFRICAN NET QUEEN—Mrs. Easmon, prominent young socialite of Accra, Ghana, and wife of the surgical specialist, Dr. Easmon of Korle Bu Hospital, shows her trophies. Mrs. Easmon won the singles in the Ghana tennis championships and teamed with Lady MacLennan won the women's doubles.

Californians win Negro tennis ratings

Twelve Californians were listed among the American Tennis Ass'n. 1957 ratings, issued this week by the president, Dr. Sylvester B. Smith, from Orangeburg, S. C.

Eighteen-year-old Gwendolyn McEvans, from Detroit, was ranked No. 1, for both Women's Singles and Girls' Singles, replacing Althea Gibson, the world champion tennis player who is competing in stiffer leagues.

George Stewart, of Montclair, N. J., was ranked No. 1 in Men's Singles after a lapse. Stewart was ranked first five times in 10 years. He was also ranked No. 1 with John Chandler, of Fanwood, N. J., in the Men's Doubles.

Los Angeles' Jean Richardson gained in ranking from third to second. She was also rated second behind Mary E. Fine and Eva Bracy, of Kansas City, Kas., in the Women's Doubles, along with Eleese Thornton, of Los Angeles, and paired with Ralph Tribble, of New York, to be rated 9th in the Mixed Doubles.

Mrs. Thornton, a durable veteran, rated first in the Women Seniors' Singles, and Lena Walden, of San Diego, third.

Larry Green, of Los Angeles, who ranked 7th in the Men's Singles, paired with Wilbert Davis, of New York, to rate 7th in the Men's Doubles.

Other Californians with ratings were: Reolia Countee, of Oakland, 9th in the Women's singles; Reolia Countee and Edgar Foley, of Oakland and Los Angeles, Mixed Doubles.

professionally since 1947, engaging in 70 bouts. He has campaigned in his native Cuba, Mexico and in the United States. A clever boxer who hits with authority, Echeverria has scored 30 knockouts in winning 47 fights. He has fought five draws.

Wilbert Davis Reigns as New ATA Net Champ

By MACEO HILL

WILBERFORCE, Ohio—Wilbert Davis of New York City, given only an outside chance in the 41st annual American Tennis Association National Tournament, is sitting on top of the net world this week with his first national championship tucked firmly in his grasp.

Playing brilliantly during the week-long ATA championships, Davis turned back the determined challenge of Gunther Polte of Springfield, Ohio, who had threatened to become the first white player in history to win the predominantly Negro tourney.

Displaying a strong back-court game and an effective service, Davis turned back Polte 3-6, 6-1, 6-3 in the hotly contested finals.

Davis, who was ranked fourth in the association's 1957 ratings, was jubilant over his victory. "This is the greatest thrill I've had since I started playing tennis," he said after grabbing the win.

"I had told several of my close friends that I felt I might stand a chance of winning the tourney this year if my game continued to hold up. Things turned out even beter than I hoped," he said.

During his battle into the finals Davis played consistently, and at times brilliantly. His list of victories included wins over Nehemiah Apkinson of New Orleans 6-0, 6-1; James Stroud of Hampton, Va., 6-4, 6-2; George Fryman Dayton, Ohio, 6-0, 6-0, and Larry Green, New York, 6-4, 3-6 and 6-2.

Davis' toughest match came in the semi-finals when he had to battle through five sets to dispose of Vernon Morgan, also of New York City. The score was 3-6, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2 and 6-3.

POLTE ALSO appeared to be a man of destiny in battling his way into the finals. The smooth stroking Springfield ace had the distinction of knocking George Stewart, defending champion and a six-time winner of the event, in the semi-finals. The score in that gruelling match was 2-6, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4 and 6-3.

Stewart wasn't the only champion to drop by the wayside in this, the biggest ATA tourney in history. Women's singles champion, Gwendolyn McEvans of Detroit, was also knocked off her lofty perch.

New champion of the ladies is Mary E. Fine of Kansas City, Kan. She beat Darnella Everson, 17-year-old Detroiter in the finals, 6-0, 6-0.

While she wasn't in contention in the finals, Miss Everson showed her best form in the quarter finals when she upset Miss McEvans, her hometown buddy, 6-4, 6-3.

THERE IS also a pair of new champions in the men's doubles when Wilbert Davis and Larry Greene of Los Angeles defeated Wilbur Jenkins and Thomas Calhoun of Jacksonville, Fla., 6-2, 6-1, 6-4 in the finals. On their way to the finals Davis and Greene knocked off defending champions George Stewart and John Chandler of Fanwood, N. J., in the semi-finals, 8-6, 6-2, 4-6, 3-6, 6-4.

Mary E. Fine and Eva Bracy, both of Kansas City, defending their doubles title among the women, took apart the youthful Everson sisters, Darnella and Marlene, 6-2, 6-1.

Gwen McEvans and Clyde Freeman of Washington, D. C., teamed up to defeat Dorothy Kornegay and John Manns of Philadelphia, 6-2, 6-2. Defending champions Doris Harrison and Ernest Ingram of Washington were defeated in the semi-finals by McEvans and Freeman, 6-3, 6-1.

Edgar Lee of Wilberforce, Ohio, won his second consecutive men's senior title, defeating Maceo Hill, 6-3, 6-2. In senior men's doubles, Edgar Lee and George Walton, Philadelphia, came through with their second straight championship, beating Jesse Wright of Philadelphia and Ronald Fieulleteau of New York City, 4-6, 6-1, 6-2.

Flora Bray of Detroit sprang a mild upst in the women's senior singles championship by beating Lena Walden of San Diego, 6-0, 6-4. In winning Mrs. Bray also stopped three-time champion Eleese Thornton, 6-3, 6-4.

Arthur Ash Defends Junior Tennis Title

WILBERFORCE, Ohio.—Finals in the American Tennis Association's National Junior Championship Tournament were played at Stadium Courts, Central State College, on Monday, Aug. 18, in the boys' singles division.

Top-seeded Arthur Ash Jr. of Richmond, Va., retained his championship for the second straight year by defeating Willis Thomas Jr., Washington, D. C., 6-0, 6-0.

Ash teamed with Thomas to win in the boys' doubles by defeating Dickey Allen and George Logan, Atlanta, Ga., 6-1, 6-1.

LUCY McEVANS, 14, of Detroit, took the girls' singles title, 6-0, 6-0, over Joan Marshall of Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Lucy, who will be a sophomore at Hamtramck High School this coming fall, has been playing in the big time for the past three years.

Men's Junior Singles Champ Joe Williams, Durham, N. C., scored an upset over Horace Cunningham, Lynchburg, Va., who was the 1957 winner of the title and top seeded for this match. Joe upset Horace with scores of 6-0, 6-2, 6-2.

Darnella Everson, 17, of Hamtramck, Mich., took the women's junior singles championship after a breath-taking battle with her sister, Marlene Everson. Darnella picked up her sixth trophy for this season with scores of 6-1, 6-1. The Everson sisters later teamed in the finals of the girls' doubles to defeat Shirley Davis Tillshill of Bermuda and Lucy Ann McEvans, 6-0, 6-1.

Nationals at Wilberforce

George Stewart After Seventh ATA Net Title

WILBERFORCE, Ohio—George Stewart, the greatest men's singles champion in the history of American Tennis Association, will demand most of the attention here from Aug. 18 to 23 when that body holds its 41st annual tennis tournament.

GEORGE STEWART
. . . men's favorite

GWEN McEVANS
. . . seeks second title

Stewart, who resides in Montclair, N.J., will be back to defend the title he regained last year. At the same time the lightning fast netter will be shooting for his seventh American Tennis Association title.

STEWART HIMSELF says he is optimistic concerning his chances in the upcoming event. "I've been keeping up with my game pretty good this summer and the results having been exactly discouraging," the veteran performer said.

Winning this year's star studded event again won't be an easy accomplishment however. "I know I'll be up against some of the best tennis being played," Stewart said. "Every year the players seem to get better. This year's event should bring out the best in a lot of players."

Three players figure prominently in the chase for the coveted championship. Vernon Morgan of Nashville, Tenn., ranked number two among the men, could be the man to upset Stewart's applecart. Also getting a lot of attention will be Harold Freeman of Washington, D.C. and Wilbert Davis of New York.

AMONG THE WOMEN, where Althea Gibson topped the field for 10 consecutive years, pretty Gwendolyn McEvans of Detroit, Mich., will be favored to retain the title she won for the first time in 1957.

Threats to Miss McEvans reign will be Jean Richardson of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mary Etta Fine of Kansas City, Kan.

Other defending champions will find George Stewart and John Chandler in men's doubles; Eva Bracy and Mary Fine in women's doubles and Doris Harrison and Ernie Ingram in mixed doubles.

This year, for the first time, the national junior tournament will be held during the same week on the same courts as the Nationals. The younger event begins Aug. 15 and runs to Aug. 18.

Last year Horace Cunningham won the junior singles title among the boys and Gwendolyn McEvans won the same event among the girls.

New tennis champs in Eastern tourney

Afro-American

Baltimore Md.

SCOTCH PLAINS — Two stunning upsets climaxed the annual Eastern Open Tennis Championships of the American Tennis Association at Shady Rest Country Club here Sunday afternoon.

In the finals, Wilbur Jenkins of Jacksonville, Fla., the second seeded star, trounced the favorite who was rated No. 1, Vernon Vernon of New York, 6-4, 6-3, to win the singles crown vacated by George Stewart who was not a contestant.

Despite his recent triumphs over Stewart, the former perennial national champion, Jenkins was not expected to triumph over Morgan who is ranked second in the national singles rating.

The New Yorker found it difficult to master Jenkins' angle shots which fell inches inside the chalk lines.

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BUT THE biggest reversal came in the final of the women's singles when Mrs. Arvelia Mitchell of New York, seeded third, defeated the national champion, 19-year-old Miss Gween McEvans of Detroit, 6-4, 7-5, to take the Eastern title.

In the junior division, the spectators were treated to a classy form display by two brothers from Jackson Heights, L.I., Sidney Glass, 11 and Louis Glass, 10.

Sidney outplayed his younger brother, 6-2, 7-9, 6-2 to walk off with the junior title.

A. J. Clement Jr., manager, Newark District, presented a memorial trophy donated by the N.C. Mutual Life Insurance Co. in the name of Mrs. Bessie A. J. Whitted, retired cashier, to Mr. Jenkins, the new singles champion.

George Stewart retired the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers Cup last year, having won it for three consecutive years.

MEN

Quarterfinals

Vernon Morgan, New York City, defeated Ernie Ingram, Washington, D.C., 6-0, 6-1; Wilbert Davis, New York City, defeated Garard Alleyen, New York City, 6-3, 7-5; Wilbur Jenkins, Jacksonville, Fla., defeated John Mudd, East Orange, 6-4, 6-1; William Monroe, East Orange, defeated Tom Meeks, New York City, 6-4, 6-0.

Semifinals

Morgan defeated Davis, 6-3, 6-0. Jenkins defeated Monroe, 8-6, 6-4.

Finals

Jenkins defeated Morgan, 6-4, 6-3.

WOMEN

Quarterfinals

Arvelia Mitchell, New York City, defeated Rosemary Darben, Montclair, 6-4, 6-2.

Mitchell defeated Sarah Allen, Cleveland, 6-3, 6-3; Gwen McEvans, Detroit, defeated Dorothy Kornegary, Philadelphia, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4.

Mitchell defeated McEvans, 6-4, 7-5.

JUNIOR

Finals

Sidney Glass, Jackson Heights, defeated Louis Glass, Jackson Heights, 6-2, 7-9, 6-2.

Althea wins two more net titles

Afro-American

SOUTH ORANGE, N.J.—Althea Gibson of New York, the Wimbledon and U.S. National women's singles champion, won two more titles here over the weekend in the Eastern Grass Court Tennis Championships at the Orange Lawn Tennis Club.

On Saturday, Miss Gibson and Sally Moore, the 18-year-old Bakersfield, Calif., star, won the women's doubles championship.

They routed Mrs. Dorothy Head Knode of Forest Hills, N.Y., and Karol Gageros of Miami Beach, 6-2, 6-1.

On Sunday, Miss Gibson, after a shaky start, defeated Miss Moore for the singles crown, 9-7, 6-2.

The world's No. 1 female tennis star was upset in the early sets by foot fault calls, but she finally steadied herself and romped to victory.

Gibson-Bueno Rally In National Net Meet

News + Observer

Raleigh N.C.

Wed 8-20-58

BROOKLINE, Mass. (AP)—Australia's powerful tennis forces marched unchecked through the second round of the U. S. National doubles tournament Tuesday but Wimbledon champions Althea Gibson and Maria Bueno had an uncomfortable moment.

Forced to play two matches each at Longwood due to the late finish of the Newport Casino competition, the Aussiemen lost only one set for the day.

Ashley Cooper and southpaw Neale Fraser, top-seeded pair, breezed through Ham Graven of Weston, Mass., and Frank Byrne of Norwich, N. Y., 6-3, 6-0, 6-4 after benefiting from a first round default.

Second-seeded Bob Howe, despite an ailing shoulder, and Mal Anderson eliminated William Goodman and John Standing, both of Wellesley, Mass., 6-3, 6-1, 6-0 after defeating William Cullen of Southport, Conn., and John Harris of Washington, D. C., 6-0, 6-4, 6-4, 6-2.

The tight-lipped Aussies admitted Howe had a twinge in his shoulder but refused to elaborate on it.

Rod Laver and Bob Mark, the fifth seeded entries from Australia, needed four sets to dispose of Chris Crawford and David Harum of Coral Gables, Fla., 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4. In the morning they defeated Bob Bowditch of Worcester, Mass., and Alan Roberts of Brooklyn, N. Y., 6-3, 6-4, 7-5.

In women's play, third seeded Mrs. Thelma Long and Mrs. Mary Hawton of Australia swept past Baby Vivanco of Mexico and Mrs. Baba Lewis of Newtonville, Mass., 8-6, 6-2.

Althea and Miss Bueno, her Brazilian partner, had an anxious first set before rallying to a 4-6, 6-1, 6-2 triumph over Mrs. Dorothy Knode, Forest Hills, N. Y. veteran, and Lorraine Coghlan of Australia.

When the Knode-Coglan tandem cracked Miss Gibson's service in the ninth game and held in the 10th it marked the first time in the five tournaments they have played together that the top seeded entries had lost a set.

Mrs. Knode and Miss Coughlan, Australian and German titlist, appeared to have a definite edge. But it was shortlived.

The Wimbledon queens snapped out of their lethargy and volleyed expertly to force service breaks in the second, fourth and sixth games of the second set which opened the gates for their triumph.

Mrs. Margaret Osborne Dupont of Wilmington, Del., and Margaret Varner of Boston, Wimbledon finalists and second seeded here, had no trouble eliminating Priscilla Couch and Letty Ewing of Cambridge, Mass., 6-0, 6-2.

The leading American pair of Sammy Giammalva of Houston, and Barry McKay of Dayton, seeded third, also moved through two matches on the sun-drenched courts.

They defeated John Bulloch and Ted Simmonds of Los Angeles 6-4, 6-2, 6-2 after downing Warren Gingras of Turners Falls, Mass., and Robert McCann of New York, 6-1, 6-4, 6-1.

Alex Olmedo, the intercollegiate champion from Los Angeles and Peru, and Ham Richardson, playing together for the first time, demonstrated sharp teamwork in their 6-4, 6-3, 6-3 conquest of Crawford Henry of Atlanta and Don Dell of Bethesda, Md.

Put together by U. S. Davis Cup captain Perry Jones, Olmedo and Richardson, top ranked U. S. singles player in 1956, formed a sound combination which concentrated on breaking Henry's service in the 10th game of the first set, eighth of the second and the first and ninth in the final set.

Britain's Mike Davies and Bill Knight, seeded sixth, defeated Mike Green of Miami Beach and Bob Perry of Los Angeles, 6-8, 6-2, 7-5, 10-8.

Savitt, Gibson Lead Advance Of Net Stars

Courier

South Orange, New Jersey, Aug. 4 (AP)—Big Dick Savitt of South Orange, N. J., went right to work to retain his men's singles crown in the Eastern Grass Court Tennis Championships by easily polishing off William Hoogs, Jr., of Berkeley, Cal., 6-1, 6-1, Monday.

Savitt, the top-seeded star who now claims he is only a weekend tennis player, blasted Hoogs off the court with his big service.

Ashley Cooper, Australia, current Wimbledon champ and top-seeded foreigner, was a little slow getting started, but once the Aussie became used to the grass turf he beat Chris Crawford, Piedmond, Cal., 6-4, 6-4.

Alejandro "Alex" Olmedo, Peru, seeded No. 6, ran a streak of nine straight games in stopping Julius Heldman, New York, 6-3, 6-0.

Davis Cup contenders Barry McKay, Dayton, Ohio, and Ham Richardson, Arlington, Va., also won second-round berths. McKay, seeded No. 2, turned back Robert Berry, Los Angeles, 6-1, 6-3. Richardson spilled Stanford University quarterback Jon Douglas, Santa Monica, Cal., 6-1, 6-1.

In women's action, all the seeded stars moved up a notch.

Top-seeded Althea Gibson, New York, turned back Mrs. Baba Lewis, Newtonville, Mass., 6-4, 6-1. Second-seeded Mrs. Dorothy Knode, Forest Hills, N. Y., defeated Owen McHaney, Little Rock, Ark., 6-3, 6-0. However, third-seeded Karol Fageros, Miami, had her hands full eliminating Carmen Lampf, Forest Hills, N. Y., 6-3, 4-6, 6-0.

In the foreign seedings, Christine Truman, England, No. 1, easily conquered Mrs. Adrienne Ayares, Baltimore, 6-0, 6-2, while her Wightman Cup teammate, Ann Haydon, seeeded second, vanquished Ruth Jeffrey, Melrose, Mass., 6-4, 6-0.

Miss Gibson, Partner Gain Finals

Post + Times Herald

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BROOKLINE, Mass., Aug. 22 (AP)—Pain-wracked Bob Howe and teammate Mal Anderson of Australia survived three match points to oust unseeded Americans Bernard Bartzen and Grant Golden today in a marathon men's quarter final of the National Doubles Tennis Championships.

The second seeded Aussies, narrowly escaping defeat in the 10th game of the final set, rallied in a brilliant effort for a 3—6, 6—3, 4—6, 6—3, 7—5 triumph.

Barry MacKay and Sam Giammalva, U. S. Davis Cup squadsmen, defeated veteran Gardnar Mulloy of Miami and Whilney Reed of Alameda, Calif., 97, 6—3, 6—4 in the other men's quarter-final test on the program at Longwood.

Wimbledon champions Althea Gibson of New York and Brazil's Maria Bueno, top-seeded in the women's division, eliminated England's Ann Haydon and Christine Truman, 6—3, 6—3 in a semifinal.

They will meet unseeded Jeanne Arth and Darlene Hard Saturday in the final, pushed ahead a day so that Miss Gibson can meet a television commitment in New York.

Ham Richarson, Arlington, Va., and Alex Olmedo, Los Angeles, reached the semifinals Thursday along with Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser, Australia.

Serving underhand throughout in an effort to minimize the stabbing pains from a bursitis condition in his shoulder, Howe stopped several times to catch his breath on completion of a stroke.

Althea Misses Out on Tennis Grand Slam

CHESTNUT HILL, Mass. — Althea Gibson, the world's greatest amateur woman tennis player, had her dreams of a grand slam thwarted here Saturday when Darlene Hard and Jeanne Arth won the United States doubles championship.

Playing in the finals, Miss Gibson and her 18-year-old Brazilian partner, Maria Bueno, were defeated, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Miss Gibson, 31-year-old New Yorker, winner of the U. S. singles and Wimbledon's singles and doubles, had been shooting for her first U. S. doubles title.

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Althea Gibson Reveals Desire To Quit Tennis

NEW YORK — Althea Gibson nearly gave up tennis a couple of years ago, she relates in the current issue o The Saturday Evening Post.

What she almost did she says in Part Two of her story, "I wanted to be Somebody," was join the Women's Army Corps.

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ALTHEA REPORTS this happened after she was graduated from Fla. A. and M. College and had taken a job in the physical-education department of Lincoln University, Mo.

"I taught there for two years, in '54 and '55, and it was quite an experience," she writes. "For one thing, I had a wingding of a time with a wonderful man while I was there. He was a captain in the Army, in charge of the ROTC unit on the campus. On account of him, I almost gave up tennis for good.

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"I WAS DISCOURAGED any way, and tired of never having any money. My pay at Lincoln was only $2,800 my first year, $3,000 the second year. I had a little apartment that cost me $48.50 a month, and a second hand car that I was paying for on time; and it didn't look like I'd ever be able to put anything by.

"When my captain friend began selling me the Women's Army Corps, I listened carefully. After all, if a Wac had a college education and could become an officer, she could make enough money to live nicely, send something home to the family and save something too. It might mean I could stay with the captain for a long time, and that interested me a lot.

"Being in love, and being loved by somebody, was something brand new to me. I'd had almost no experience with boys. And this would have been different, anyway, because my captain was no boy; he was 41 years old. I was 26 myself, but I knew less about this subject than the average high school girl.

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"IF THE MAN had been closer to my own age, I might have given up tournament tennis altogether. But two things worked against it. There was the captain's feeling that he was too old for me, and I wondered about giving up on something I'd put so many years and so much sweat into. In the end we decided to be satisfied with being friends."

However, Althea says, what really made up her mind to stay with tennis was an invitation at that time to make a tour of Southeast Asia on a team sponsored by the State Department. She accepted and, of course, went on to become the world's greatest woman tennis player.

New York Times 8/7/58

Mayor Wagner hailed Althea Gibson, twice winner of the Wimbledon Cup tennis championship, as a "great and worthy champion" at an official reception yesterday at Gracie Mansion. He also proclaimed yesterday "Tennis Day" in honor of Miss Gibson, a native New Yorker. The Negro tennis champion, in a brief speech of thanks, said she felt that New York City had greeted her return from her triumphs in the Wimbledon tourneys in England "with welcome, warm hands." Miss Gibson received a scroll bearing the Mayor's proclamation, which called attention to "the splendid record of Althea Gibson, who wears her crown with the dignity of a true champion and the poise and charm of a lovely lady." Among the 200 guests at the reception were Manhattan Borough President Hulan E. Jack and City Councilman Earl Brown.

Bitter rift uncovered in American Tennis Assn.

Charges and counter charges were hurled last week as a split in the American Tennis Association came into the open this week.

Reacting to an AFRO (A to Z) hint that all was not well in amateur tennis, supporters of Dr. R. (Whirlwind) Johnson of Lynchburg, Va., forwarded their side of the controversy with the ATA administration.

Shortly thereafter Dr. Sylvester Smith of Ambler, Pa., put his version of the dispute in writing.

Excerpts from both arguments are presented herewith with no desire on the part of the AFRO to prejudice its readers.

The Johnson faction is represented in this instance by Anita B. Flannigan and Dr. Colston A. Lewis of Richmond Here is, in part, what they have to say:

"The 41st meeting of the ATA marked a new low in politics conducted by a supposedly intelligent body. This year all offices were open for election.

"The first speaker was the president who read a long message, 40 per cent of which was condemnation by implication of the first vice president, Dr. Walter Johnson. The president said that he knew John was trying to destroy the ATA; that he was an evil influence, and that the members should be guarded.

It sounded like he was saying; 'Dr. Johnson should not be your president. I am still living, so elect me again as you have always done. Don't elect Dr. Johnson.'

"Forty per cent of his speech was spent praising Mr. Bertram L. Baker for the fine job he was doing. He did not mention that Dr. Johnson had performed a miracle for the ATA; carried his Juniors Development team personally on a two-weeks tour of the West and that one of his players had reached the sami-finals of the USLTA National Championships, the first time a colored person has ever reached such heights.

"He could have told the people that Dr. Johnson had brought his Junior team to the ATA Nationals and that they were performing with unbelievable brillancy for juniors and had already knocked out of the tournament such old stars as Clyde Freeman, Quentin Vaughn, Jim Glass and Thomas Calhoun.

"The future of ATA competittion was given a boost, thanks to Dr. Johnson and his great juniors campaign.

"Shortly after the meeting opened, Dr. Johnson left the room, and immediately Mr. Baker interrupted the proceedings to inform the audience that Dr. Johnson had presented some proxies for Texas, Tennessee, and North Carolina that were illegally secured and made a motion that they be voided.

"By a quick voice vote, the motion was carried voiding the proxies. This was unconstitutional. A roll call vote should have been called for.

"When Dr. Johnson returned to the meeting, the damaage had been done, he questioned the motion, had letters that accompanied the proxies in their original envelopes and informed the audience that the proxies were authentically filed with Mr. Baker on Monday as required by the constitution.

"It was here that the dirty work began. Mr. Baker informed the audience that Dr. Johnson was not a member of these associations; and could, therefore, not represent them.

"It was here that Colston A. Lewis, attorney from Richmond, blasted the proceedings and read from the constitution Article V, section V, which read: 'Voting by proxy when duly executed and filed with the Executive Secretary of the ATA as, herein after, provided. At all meetings of the ATA clubs and local or sectional associations may be represented by any member of the ATA who shall hold a signed proxy from the club or sectional association which he represeents.'

"At no place in the constitution does it say a proxy holder must be a member of the association. Mr. Lewis, after reading the above section, asked the chair for a ruling. Dr. Smith refused to accept the reading from his own constitution, but ruled Mr. Baker's interpretation shall be the policy. Dr. Johnson then made a motion that the vote be rescinded, a motion that required two thirds of the voters. He lost because he needed only three votes."

Here is the administration version as provided by Dr. Smith, the president:

"I want to . . . set the record straight as regards ATA affairs. There was a definite principle involved in the activities which necessitated (in the speech referred to by the Johnson faction) laying all of the facts before the membership.

"In order to give the full backdrop, I deemed it necessary to quote pertinent paragraphs from my 1958 report.

"'Last year it became my sad duty (and believe me when I tell you that it was the saddest duty that I have had to perform as your President) to alert you to the fact that there were elements within our membership who were attempting to rip the entire fabric of this organization apart, so that the will of this individual could be superimposed over the will of this assembly.

"'Again this year, I must warn you that the same attempt to buy up votes of clubs and associations has been made. It is very clear that the purpose is to buy up the control of sufficient votes so that any issue that comes before this body can be settled to harmonize only, with this individual's thinking.

"'This is a most vicious and destructive aspiration and must be resisted to the last breath, if this organization is to continue to grow and progress.

"'Each individual, each member club, and each State and Sectional Association has a legal and moral responsibility to express their opinions and vote their convictions unfettered by any influences which seek only to have their will and thinking supersede and dominate the will and thinking of the majority of this assembly.

"'We must all rededicate ourselves and revitalize our love for this organization so that each of us will resist any and all attempts to buy up our club or association's votes.

"'We must exercise our responsbility in aligning ourselves on the side of truth; we must reserve unto ourselves the right to cast our votes on the side of right, for the best interests of this organizattion, regardless of friendships that may attempt to subvert us.

"'We must pray for the courage and strength to resist to our last breath any and all efforts by anyone, anytime, be they officers or members, to destroy this organization from within or from without.

"'May I agan thank all of you for the splendid cooperation you have given this office, and close with the prayer that your affection for, and your interest in this organization will be so deep that you will always lend your cooperation to the progress of the American Tennis Association regardless of personalities who may be selected to serve as your officers.'

"You now have the complete picture which was the only fair way to assess the issues involved.

"Regarding the interpretation of Art. V. Sec. 5 of our constitution which you apparently are familiar with; had it not been the intention of the framers of our constitution to prevent just such abuses of voting power, they would have placed a period after—'may be repereseted by any member of the ATA who shall hold a proxy.' But you will note that they went further to prevent just such abuses by adding '—from the Club Local or Sectional Association which he represents.' The languge and intent seems perfectly clear to me."

Miss Gibson Retains No. 1 Ranking

NEW YORY, Dec. 14 (AP) Althea Gibson, the "double slam" winner of women's tennis, again is ranked No. 1 among American women players for 1958.

The women's rankings, released today by the U. S. Lawn Tennis Assn., do not become official until they are approved by the USLTA annual meeting at White Sulpher Springs, W. Va., Jan. 17. But there's virtually no chance that a player who has dominated competition as completely as Miss Gibson will be denied the top place.

The tall, strong girl from Harlem, who plays a man's game of tennis, won the Wimbledon and United States women's championships for the second time in 1958.

She suffered only two major setbacks as she won tournaments in South America, Jamaica, England, Ireland and America.

Althea was upset by tall Christine Truman of England in the Wightman Cup matches and she dropped a match to Mrs. Beverly Baker Fleitz in Puerto Rico.

Mrs. Fleitz, a Long Beach, Calif., housewife and mother of two daughters, achieved the No. 2 ranking in her comeback effort after being out of competition more than a year.

Darlene Hard of Montebello, Calif., Runner-up to miss Gibson at Forest Hills, advanced to the No. 3 ranking from fourth last year.

Donna Floyd, of Arlington, Va., moved up to No. 13. Miss Floyd, a freshman at William and Mary, has been the top ranked player in Washington, D. C. area the last three years, although she is still in her teens.

Miss Hard and Miss Arth were given the No. 1 women's doubles ranking with Mrs duPont, an outstanding doubles player for many years, and Margaret Varner of Boston ranked second.

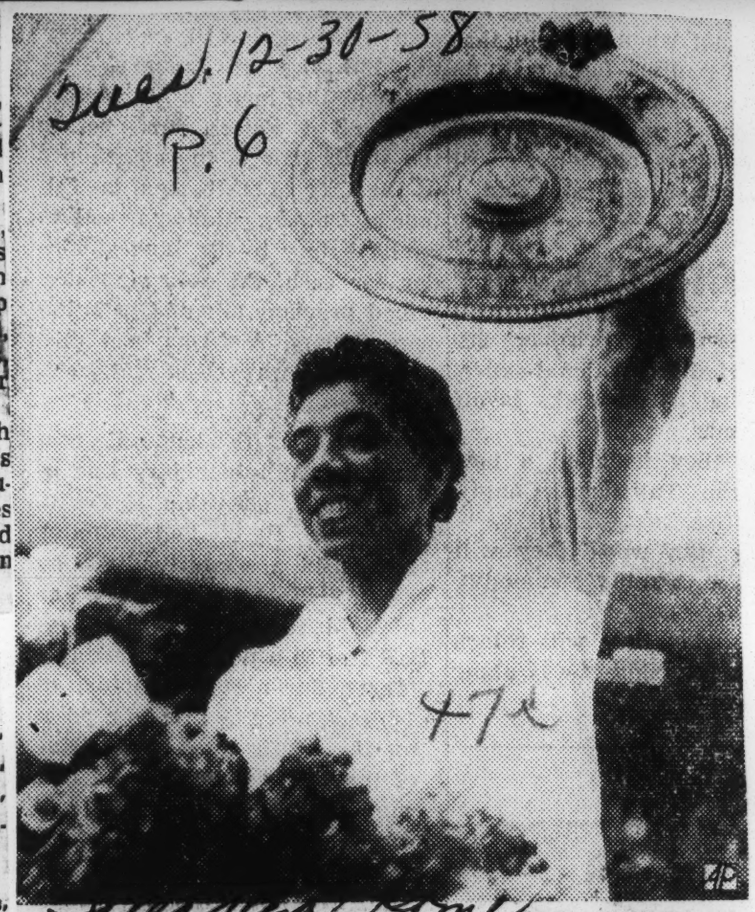
Women's Tennis Rankings for 1958

WOMEN'S SINGLES

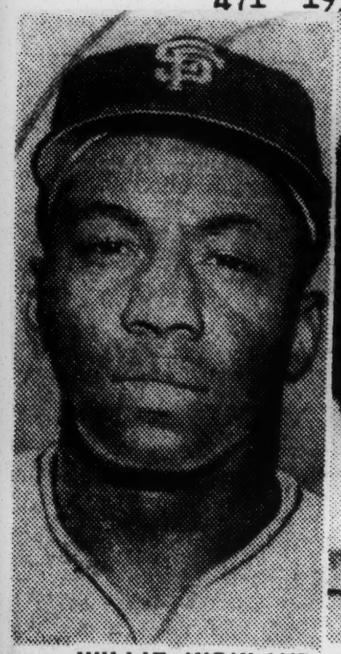
1. Althea Gibson, New York, N. Y.
2. Beverly B. Fleitz, Long Beach, Calif.
3. Darlene R. Hard, Montebello, Calif.
4. Dorothy H. Knode, Forest Hills, N. Y.
5. Margaret Osborne duPont, Wilmington, Del.
6. Jeanne Arth, St. Paul, Minn.
7. Janet S. Hopps, Seattle, Wash.
8. Sally Moore, Bakerfield, Calif.
9. Gwyneth Thomas, Shaker Heights, Ohio.
10. Mary Ann Mitchell, San Leandro, Calif.
11. Miriam Arnold, Redwood City, Calif.
12. Margaret Varner, Boston.
13. Donna Floyd, Arlington, Va.
14. Karol Fageros, Miami.
15. Lois Felix, Meriden, Conn.
16. Belmar Gunderson, Chambersburg, Pa.
17. Laura Lou Kunnen, Clearwater, Fla.
18. Adrienne Goldberg Ayares, Baltimore.
19. Carole Wright, Brooklyn.
20. Patrician Ann Stewart, Kew Gardens, N. Y.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES

1. Jeanne Arth and Darlene R. Ward.
2. Margaret Osborne duPont and Margaret Varner.
3. Lois Felix and Katharine Hubbell.
4. Belmar Gunderson and Ruth Jeffry.
5. Mary Ann Mitchell and Jacqueline Tegland.



DOUBLE TITLIST — Althea Gibson holds trophy after winning her second Wimbledon singles title in July. She won her second U. S. singles crown in September.



WILLIE KIRKLAND

ALTHEA GIBSON

SUGAR RAY ROBINSON

Althea scores, Kirkland farmed; assorted sports

Afro-American

Baltimore Md

MANCHESTER, England—Althea Gibson romped to her second win in as many tuneups for Wimbledon here last week, as she captured the Northern England tennis title in straight sets from Maria Bueno of Brazil, 6-1, 8-6. Sat. 6-14-58

The previous week, Miss Gibson downed Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Cal., also in straight setts, to win her second straight Surrey women's championship at Surbiton.

The slender, 30-year-old Harlem queen took these same two tournament last year in preparation for her triumphal performance at Wimbledon. This week, she competes in the Queens Club tourney, her final warmup for the famed All-England title play. P.13

Miss Gibson won her way into the final round by defeating Ann Shilcock, a member of the British Wightman Cup team, on Friday. Scores of her two sets with the comely Briton were 6-0, 7-5, and in the second set Althea had to overcome a 2-5 lead. She did so by winning five straight games.

Miss Bueno, the 18-year-old South American girl, whipped Karol Fageros of Miami, 7-5, 6-3, to qualify for her playoff with Miss Gibson.

Earlier in the week, Althea ran through the quarter-finals with a resounding score over Yola Ramirez of Mexico.

Although Miss Ramirez won five games in the 6-2, 6-3 match, the New York girl's exhibition was a spectacular one.

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OBVIOUSLY STUNG by the fact that tourney officials relegated her to a side court—an action seldom taken in matches featuring a world champion—Althea blasted with a vengeance on both forehand and backhand shots.

She made numerous errors but apparently was satisfied with what appeared to be pure experimentation.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—The San Francisco Giants announced Saturday that they have dispatched Willie Kirkland to their Phoenix, Ariz., farm club of the Pacific Coast League.

The hard-hitting rookie outfielder, who had won the right-field starting berth at opening of the season, was batting only .217 and, according to manager Bill Rigney, was under pressure.

"WE HAVEN'T given up on the boy," declared the Giants skipper, "it is simply that we feel he's been pressing too much. Willie has seen Mays (Willie) and Cepeda (Orlando) going so well and the club doing a great job, and he's worried that he hasn't helped.

"At Phoenix, he can regain his confidence. And that's all he needs to be a big leaguer."

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Ossie Virgil, the first tan player in the history of the Detroit Tigers, joined the team here Friday and played two games at third base.

Virgil was obtained from the San Francisco Giants last winter, but was never taken as a serious contender for a position on the Detroit team until it went so badly in the early weeks.

AGAINST THE WASHINGTON Senators Friday night, Virgil connected for one hit in three at bats. It was a double. The following afternoon, also against the home club, Ossie singled once in four tries. He played errorless ball afield.

Virgil opened the season at third base for the Giants in 1957, and played 99 games with the club, then located in New York. He is righthanded all the way, is 25 years old and a native of the Dominican Republic.

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NEW YORK — **SUGAR RAY ROBINSON** left here Sunday by plane, en route to Los Angeles, Cal., to discuss a reported offer of $1,000,000 to fight Floyd Patterson for the world's heavyweight title.

Robinson said Friday, that he had received the offer in a telegram from Cy Weintraub, a Los Angeles television man, who informed Sugar Ray the same bid had been made for Patterson's okey.

"WEINTRAUB APPEARS to be legitimate," Robinson told the AFRO early Sunday. "He talked to me sometime ago about fighting Archie Moore for the light-heavy weight title, but I told ihm I wasn't interested.

"You can say this interests me very much. After all, a million dollars is a whole lot of money and Patterson is a whole lot of man, but he's still human."—SAM LACY.

Quillian Beaten At Manchester

MANCHESTER, England, June 4 (AP)—Karol Fageros of Miami and Janet Hopps of Seattle joined Althea Gibson in the women's quarterfinals but America's tennis forces suffered jolting reversals today in the North England tennis championships.

Miss Hopps, 23, stealing some of Miss Fageros' thunder with a pair of blue and white polka dot panties, beat one of the American Wightman Cuppers when she ousted Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Cal., 3-6, 6-2, 6-1.

Birmingham

The second U. S. Cup player to fall was the veteran Mrs. Dorothy Knode of Forest Hills, N. Y., beaten by Anne Shilcock of Britain 6-4, 6-4. Miss Shilcock was nominated only for the doubles on the British Wightman Cup squad.

Miss Gibson, Wimbledon champion and favorite for the women's crown, advanced to the quarter-finals previously. Tomorrow Miss Hopps will play Miss Fageros, who turned back the Australian women's champion, Lorraine Coghlan, 6-2, 6-2.

Beaten in the men's division was Bill Quillian of Seattle, a member of the U. S. Davis Cup team which beat Venezuela in a zone match last month.

Quillian was beaten by an unranked British player, Reg Bennett, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.

MISS GIBSON KEEPS SURREY NET TITLE

N. Y. Times

Routs Mimi Arnold, 6-1, 6-0, Taking 12 Games in Row—Becker Wins Men's Final

Sun. 6-1-58

By United Press International

SURBITON, England, May 31—Althea Gibson, flashing the same kind of strokes that won for her at Wimbledon last year, captured the Surrey women's lawn tennis title for the third time today by crushing Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif., 6—1, 6—0. New York

Roger Becker of Britain won the men's title with a 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 victory over his countryman Mike Davies. Section 5

The smooth-swinging Miss Gibson of New York required only thirty-five minutes to beat her outclassed opponent.

Victor Drops First Game

After winning the first game Miss Arnold lost the next twelve in a row. With Miss Gibson leading in the second set, 5—0, the hard-working Californian made a desperate effort to rally, but she simply could not cope with the United States champion's much stronger ground strokes.

Miss Arnold appeared to take the champion by surprise momentarily in the first set when she displayed her best power of the match to take a short-lived lead. From that point on, however, Miss Gibson was by far the superior player. Miss Arnold frequently was left standing in the middle of the court, beaten by sheer speed.

The Becker-Davies match lasted fifty-five minutes as Becker retained his title. His victory may earn him a place on the Great Britain team that meets Germany in the quarter-finals of the European Zone Davis Cup matches scheduled to begin at Scarborough next week.

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Rose Scores in 3 Sets

New York Times

PARIS, May 31 (AP)—Mervyn Rose of Australia swept to a 6-3, 6-4, 6-4 victory over Luis Ayala of Chile today for the men's singles championship in the French international tennis tournament. New York

The women's final produced a surprise when Suzy Kormoczi of Hungary turned back Britain's top-seeded Shirley Bloomer, 6—4, 1—6, 6—2. It was the first time a player from behind the Iron Curtain had won a major French singles title. P. 3-8

The one-sided triumph of the tricky, left-handed Rose also was unexpected. Ayala had eliminated Ashley Cooper, the No. 1 seeded Australian champion, in the semi-finals.

Rose, whose main specialty is doubles, dominated the men's match with a twisting, high-bounding service, which never was broken, and brilliant play at the net.

The Australian took an aggressive role by rushing to the net on virtually every shot. There his lightning rifle shots, sharp volleys and drop shots kept the Chilean on the run. The South American was exhausted at the end of the match.

Ayala played his best tennis at the start of the second and third sets. But he never managed a service break and always was fighting from behind.

Miss Kormoczi, who is 33 and has been on the circuit for years, also used a forcing, net-attacking game to beat Miss Bloomer, strictly a backcourt player.

In the men's doubles semi-finals, Robert Howe of Australia and Abe Segal of South Africa beat Italy's Nicola Pietrangeli and Orlando Sirola, 19—17, 17—15, 6—1. Australia's Neale Fraser and Ashley Cooper defeated Britain's A. R. Mills and Robert K. Wilson, 10—8 6—3, 6—1.

ST. ANNES, England, May 31 (AP)—Carlos Fernandes defeated Ronald Barnes, 6—4, 6—1, in the all-Brazilian final

of the St. Annes lawn tennis tournament today.

MISS GIBSON TAKES FINAL IN ENGLAND

New York Times
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New Yorker Beats Brazil's Maria Bueno, 6-1, 8-6, in Manchester Tennis

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By The Associated Press

MANCHESTER, England, June 7—Althea Gibson of New York today defeated Maria Bueno of Brazil, 6—1, 8—6, to win the Northern England tennis championship for the third straight year.

It was the second straight tournament victory in England for the tall, 30-year-old New Yorker. A week ago she trounced Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif., in winning the Surrey lawn tennis crown.

This is the same pattern Miss Gibson followed a year ago in preparing for her grand sweep of the Wimbledon and American championships.

Ramanathan Krishnan, India's top player, defeated Naresh Kumar, his Davis Cup teammate, 5—7, 6—3, 6—2, in the men's final.

A crowd of 2,000 saw Miss Gibson win her match in fifty-five minutes on a court dampened by a slight drizzle.

Brooklyn Times
N.Y.

The Brazilian senhorita, rated the best female tennis player from South America in more than twenty years, was overwhelmed in the first set. But she made her opponent go all out in the final set.

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Althea swept to a 5-0 lead in the opener. Maria held her service in the sixth game, drawing applause with one service ace. Then Miss Gibson won the set with smashing drives.

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In the second set, Maria produced some of the shots which enabled her to win the Italian championship last month. She volleyed brilliantly and had Althea on the run. Senhorita Bueno led, 2-1, and then fell behind, 2-4. Here Maria rallied. She stormed the net and swept the next three games for a 5-4 lead.

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Miss Gibson steadied and forced her young rival into a series of errors to tie at 5-5. Althea applied the pressure in the thirteenth game to break Maria's service. She then held her own service, closing out the match with an ace.

CHELTENHAM, England, June 7 (UPI)—Alan Mills of Great Britain won the Cheltenham open lawn tournament today, defeating Brazil's Ivo Ribiero, 6—4, 6—3.

BRUSSELS, June 7 (AP)—Luis Ayala, a Chilean star playing for Belgium, today defeated Ashley Cooper, 6—2, 8—6, in a Belgian-Australian international tennis tournament. Neale Fraser of Australia beat Jaques Brichant, 6—4, 2—6, 6—4.

By United Press International

SWEDEN and Mexico kept alive their hopes of gaining semi-final berths in the European zone Davis Cup tennis competition yesterday by winning doubles matches. Both must sweep today's final two singles contests, however, to stave off elimination.

Sven Davidson and Ulf Schmidt of Sweden defeated Paul Remy and Pierre Darmon of France, 6—3, 6—3, 2—6, 6—4, at Paris. The Swedes' victory reduced France's lead to two matches to one.

At Warsaw, Vladislav Skonecki completed a singles victory in a match that was interrupted Friday, and then Mexico's doubles team of Rafael Osuna and Gustavo Palofax scored a 6—3, 7—5, 6—4 victory. Skonecki, resuming his match against Mario Llamas of Mexico with a 3-2 lead in the fourth set, completed a 7-5, 6-8, 6-3, 7-5 triumph. Poland leads the series, 2—1.

Meanwhile, Italy and England completed 5-0 sweeps over their outclassed quarter-final opponents.

At Scarborough, England, Bill Knight of Britain defeated Rupert Huber of Germany, 6—2, 6—0, 6—4, and then Roger Becker scored a 6—2, 4—6, 7—5, 6—2 victory over Germany's Wilhelm Bungert.

Orlando Sirola and Nicola Pietrangeli scored Italy's final two singles victories in a rout of Denmark at Copenhagen. Sirola defeated Torben Ulrich, 6—8, 6—3, 6—4, 3—6, 6—3, and Pietrangeli beat Kurt Nielsen, 6—1, 3—6, 6—4, 6—4.

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Althea Gives a Hand—Tennis champion Althea Gibson presents an armful of roses and a trophy to 15-year-old Olivia Cole during the American Tennis Association Guild's second annual benefit in New York. Olivia, an up-and-coming ATA junior tennis star, received an all-expense-paid trip to Central State College, Wilberforce, Ohio, to take part on the annual national tennis tourney.

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ALTHEA GIBSON

Althea Gibson Wins At Wimbledon

Davidson, Schmidt Post Doubles Upset

WIMBLEDON, Eng. (AP — Althea Gibson, the pride of Harlem, established herself more firmly as the queen of women's tennis Saturday by smashing Angela Mortimer of Britain 8-6, 6-2 for her second-straight Wimbledon championship.

The 30 - year - old Negro star teamed with Maria Bueno of Brazil to capture the women's doubles crown also but her bid for a rare Wimbledon "triple" was shattered when she and Kurt Nielsen of Denmark were beaten in mixed doubles by a pair of dark-horse Australians, Bob Howe and Lorraine Coghlan.

Nevertheless, it was Althea's day on the revered center court at Wimbledon and the crowd of 17,000, including the Duchess of Kent, gave her a standing ovation when she left the arena at the close of the long, hard day.

The Harlem miss who once had a reputation for becoming unnerved in critical spots showed her mettle by twice coming from behind to beat Miss Mortimer, a statesque blonde who can thread the line with a backcourt drive from either side.

Suffering what she called "center court jitters." Miss Gibson fell behind 0-2, 2-4 and 3-5 in the first set and had one set point against her before her powerful, manlike service pulled her out of trouble. Eleven times in that first set a footfault was called against her and five times she served double-faults.

Miss Mortimer also jumped into the lead 2-0 in the second set, while the partisan British crowd cheered wildly, but Althea reversed the trend and, with a magnificent show of pluck and tennis stroking, reeled off six games in a row.

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Miss Gibson, although tall and sturdily built, was so near exhaustion at this stage that her shots had lost much of their original bite.

Another major surprise — biggest of the tournament — was unfolded in the men's doubles final. Two unseeded Swedes, Sven Davidson and Ulf Schmidt, knocked off the top-seeded Australian Davis Cup pair, Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser, 6-4, 6-4, 8-6.

Davidson and Schmidt levelled their attack at the weaker end of the Aussie axis, left-handed Fraser, and played like a pair of berserk Vikings in pulling off one of the big tennis surprises in years.

Cooper had won the men's singles title by beating Fraser in the Australian final Friday, climaxing a dreary campagn for America's once proud forces.

But on a side court, Uncle Sam's younger element gave promise of a brighter future by capturing both the junior boys and girls championships.

Earl Buchholz Jr., 17-year-old Davis Cup hopeful from St. Louis, won the boys title by crushing P. J. Lal of India 6-1, 6-3. Sally Moore of Bakersfield, Calif., captured the girls crown with a pair of triumphs.

Miss Moore first defeated Pat Balling of Denmark 6-0, 7-5 and then took the measure of Anna Dmitrieva of Russia 6-2, 6-4. It was the first appearance at Wimbledon for the Russians.

Plans Bid For Third Net Prize

WIMBLEDON, England (AP)—Althea Gibson won her second Wimbledon tennis championship Saturday and said she may go for three.

"I hope to be at Wimbledon again next year, health permitting and God willing," the 30-year-old net queen from New York's Harlem said after beating Angela Mortimer of Britain, 8-6, 6-2.

Previously, Althea had hinted she might give up tennis for a singing career. She has made several records and appeared on American television.

No Pro Plans.

Asked if Jack Kramer, the pro tennis promoter, had talked to her about a professional contract, Althea replied:

"Mr. Kramer has not spoken to me and I have not spoken to him. I don't know what's in his mind and he doesn't know what's in mine."

Althea acknowledged she got the "center court jitters" early in her match with Miss Mortimer when she trailed 2-4 and 3-5. But she had no complaints about the nine footfaults called on her in the first six games.

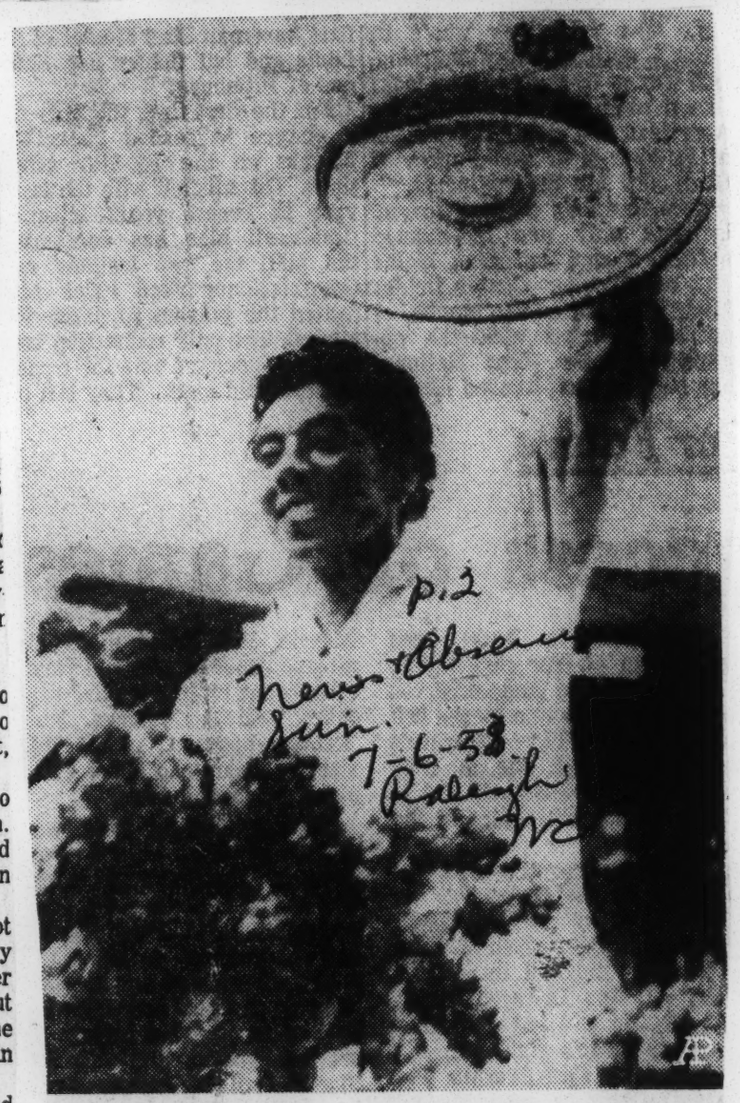
"Let's forget those calls and concentrate on something else," she told interviewers.

Planning Holiday.

She said she had found the tournament one of the most strenuous in which she had played and she planned several weeks' holiday.

"I felt much happier in the second set against Miss Mortimer," even though I was down 0-2," she said. "My first services were going in and I felt that if I could keep the match going I was bound to win sooner or later."

She called Miss Mortimer her toughest opponent in the tournament. "I found her ground strokes particularly good," Althea said. "They kept me at the back of the court and prevented me from coming to the net until late in the match.



SECOND STRAIGHT — New York's Althea Gibson waves the winner's plate after she defeated Angela Mortimer of Britain in the Wimbledon's women's singles finals yesterday.

Nips "Over The Hill" Rumors

Miss Gibson Wins Second Wimbledon Tennis Title

WIMBLEDON, England — (UPI) — Althea Gibson of New York retained the Wimbledon women's singles title—symbol of supremacy in amateur tennis—by defeating Britain's stubborn Angela Mortimer, 8-6, 6-2 Saturday.

Miss Gibson, first Negro ever to win the game's top title, had lost three of her four previous matches with Miss Mortimer.

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THE ENGLISH girl, first unseeded player to reach the women's finals since 1938, appeared set to upset the top-seeded American when she broke Althea's service twice in the first set and reached set point in the 10th game.

But Miss Gibson, who repeatedly commited double faults and foot-faults in the opening games, reacted like a champion before the standing room crowd of 15,000.

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SHE WON that 10th game and held the service to take the lead for the first time at 6-5.

That was the turning point. Althea finished off the first set by cracking Miss Mortimer's service in the 14th game and was in command the rest of the way.

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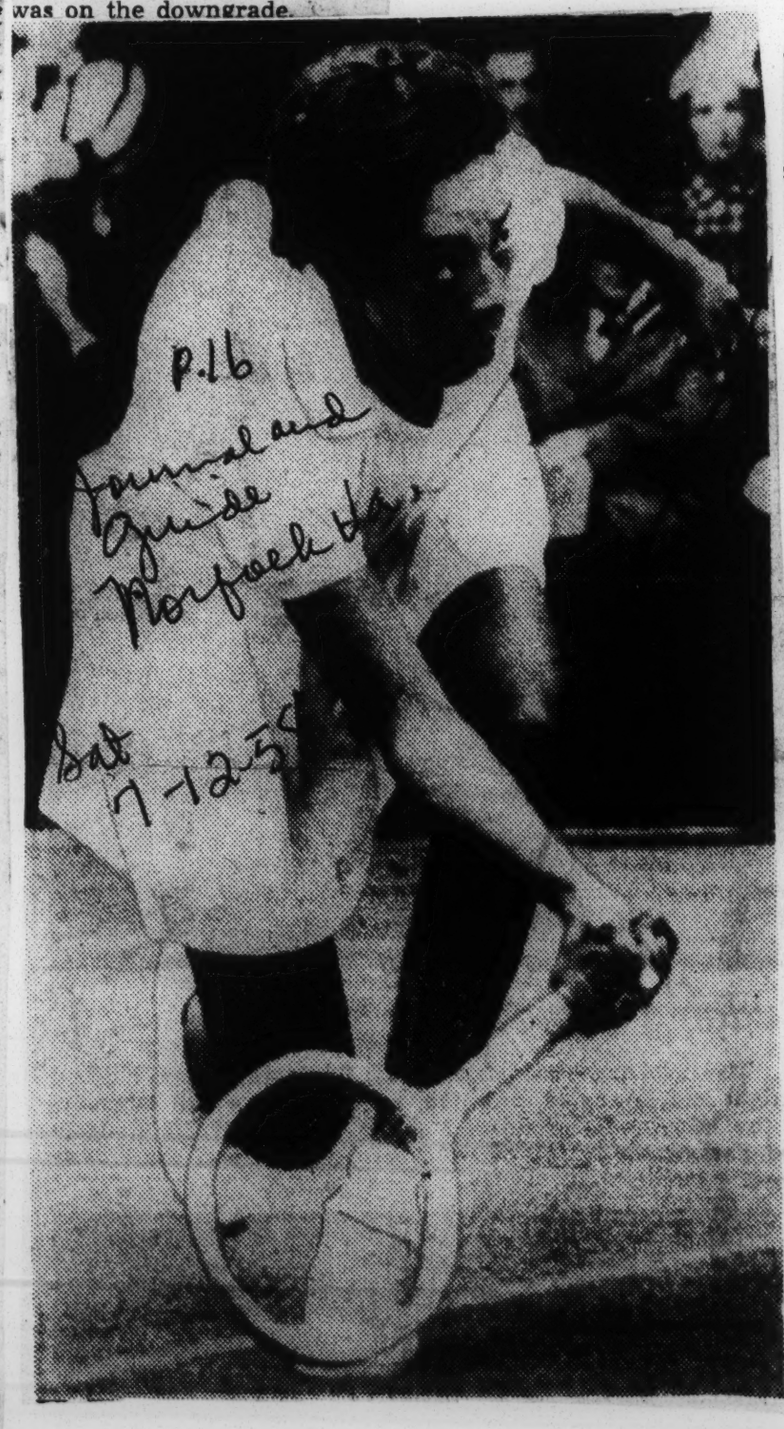
MISS GIBSON turned on all her famous power Thursday to "annihilate" Britain's Ann Haydon in 36 minutes, 6-2, 6-0 in the semi-finals.

Britain's Angela Mortimer eliminated sixth-seeded Suzi Kormoczi of Hungary, 6-0, 6-1.

Prior to the Wimbledon Championships, Miss Gibson had not only bowed to Miss Mortimer but was upset by Britain's 17-year-old tennis prodigy, Christine Truman, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4 in the Wightman Cup matches and the loss launched speculation as to whether the 31-year-old netter had reached her peak and was on the downgrade.



In addition to capturing the singles crown for the second consecutive year, Miss Gibson entered the finals of the women's doubles and mixed doubles with a chance to win a share of three titles for the first time since Doris Hart turned the trick in 1951. (UPI News Photo)

CUP BEARER — Toting the Wightman Cup, symbolic of tennis prowess between U. S. and England, Althea Gibson, foremost U. S. woman's star, flashes smile for cameraman just before boarding Pan American World RAirways clipper in New York for London. Miss Gibson will participate in several preliminary tournaments prior to the Wightman tests June 13-14.

Retains Wimbledon Title

Shaking a brief slump that had net experts wondering if she was "over the hill," Miss Althea Gibson removed all doubts as she retained her Wimbledon women's singles title by defeating Britain's Angela Mortimer, 8-6, 6-2 in the finals Saturday.

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ALTHEA GIBSON

Former Famcee Star Wallops Britian Star In Winning Singles By Score 8-6, 6-2

Turns On Heat To Defeat Angela Mortimer, Pride Of Great Britian In Championship Fashion; Also Shares Spotlight In Winning Of Womn's Doubles With Maria Bueno Of Brazil

Globe 7-11-58

WIMBLEDON, England—

Lean and lanky Althea Gibson the darling of Harlem, her home place and Florida A&M University, her Alma Mater and where she first hit the limelight as a tennis star lived up to advanced billing here last Saturday when she won for the second straight time the Wimbledon singles, the height of every tennis player's ambition.

Miss Gibson turned on the heat to turn back the challenge of Angela Mortimer, the pride of the British and upon whom they were pinning their hopes for a return of the championship to their homeland.

Althea was not satisfied with this win, so she went on and teamed with Brazil's Maria Bueno to win the women's doubles. However, the great Harlem star tired in the mixed double and she had her partner, Kurt Nielson of Denmark, beaten by a pair of dark horses, Bob Howe and Loraine Coghlan, both of Australia.

Althea's Great Ovation

But his lone blemish did not take away the glory which was rightfully hers on this day. The great player was given a standing ovation by the 17,000, including the Dutchess of Kent, when the star left the revered center court of Wimbledon at the close of a long and hard, but eventful day. . .

Miss Gibson, who had been noted for becoming unnerved when the going became rough, was calm as a cucumber all the way. Twice she came from behind to beat Miss Mortimer, the striking blonde, who can thread the line with a back court drive from eithe side.

Suffering from what she called "center court jitters," Miss Gibson trailed 0-2, 2-4 and 3-6 in the first set, and had one set point against her before her powerful, man-like service pulled her out of trouble. Eleven times in that first set a footfault was called against her and five times she served double faults.

Miss Mortimer had the highly partisan crowd cheering wildly when she jumped into a 2-0 lead in the second set, but this did not worry the calm Althea. She reversed this trend and with a brilliant show of fortitude and fine tennis stroking, reeled off six games in a row.

It was a fine bit of tennis playing, and Althea showed all and sundry that she had what any champ must have - - the ability to come back from the canvas and win when folks are just about ready to toll the final count and to crown a new champ.

Only American Win

Althea was the only American to win in the matches, but she walked from the court with the biggest event of them all- - - the women's singles, a prize which other Americans like Helen Wills and Helen Jacobs had won in yesteryears.

Tennis fans will recall that the great star startled the world last year when she won not only the Wimbledon singles, but came home later in the summer and went on to win the U. S. event at Forrest Hills. In this match, she took the measure of Louise Brough, while Darlene Hurd was her victim at Wimbledon last year.

Miss Gibson and Miss Bueno walloped and All-American team of Mrs. Margaret Du Pont of Wilmington, Del., and Margaret Verner of El Paso, Texas, by score of 6-3 and 7-5.

May Try for Third Title

Following her magnificent triumphs here at Wimbledon, Miss Gibson announced that she perhaps will try to make it three in a row in the famed classic.

"I hope to be at Wimbledon again next year, health permitting and God willing," the 30 year old star said. She had hinted earlier that she might give up tennis for a singing career. To date, she has made several records and has appeared on nationwide television.

In reply to a query about professional offers from Jack Kramer, the pro tennis promoter, she said:

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MISS ALTHEA GIBSON SCORES FOR AMERICA

But for Miss Althea Gibson, America would not have been in the race in the final rounds of the Wimbledon Tennis Tournament, now being played in Wimbledon, England. At present the Australians seem to have the edge in tennis, both singles and doubles. Althea eliminated Ann Haydon, the nineteen year old Briteisher by the score of 6-2, 6-1. It is reported that she was not breathing hard at the end of the thirty minutes match. This means that she was not wholly extended, and could have perhaps done even better. . . Miss Gibson defeated Miss Angela Mortimer, Saturday in the finals, having been defeated by Miss Mortimer three times out of four, before Miss Gibson took the French Championship from her in 1956. Happily here no reference is made of the race of these contestants. That is as it should be. However, in this comment, since race is singled out often when conduct is not so becoming, it may not be amiss to inform those who don't know, that Miss Gibson happens to be a Negro.

U.S. WOMAN OUSTS SHIRLEY BLOOMER

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Althea Gibson Wins as Mimi Arnold, Mrs. du Pont Bow —MacKay Loses to Rose

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By FRED TUPPER

Special to The New York Times.

WIMBLEDON, England, July 1—Althea Gibson miraculously found her championship form when she needed it most today. Trailing, 2—0, in the third set she ran off six games in a brilliant streak to subdue Britain's stubborn Shirley Bloomer, 6—3, 6—8, 6—2.

As rain again wrought havoc with Wimbledon's tennis program, the tall Harlem girl reached the women's semi-final, but she was all that was left at nightfall of the thin American delegation.

Barry MacKay was drubbed by moody, mercurial Mervyn Rose in the men's quarter-finals, 6—2, 6—4, 6—4, while Mimi Arnold and Mrs. Margaret Osborne du Pont led and then lost in the women's division.

In the semi-finals with Rose—and just barely—were two other Australian players, top-seeded Ashley Cooper and fourth-seeded Neale Fraser.

Five Hectic Sets

Cooper, the finalist here against Lew Hoad a year ago, called on all his resources to defeat Britain's amazing little Bobby Wilson, 6—4, 6—2, 3—6, 4—6, 7—5, as a hysterical crowd fought for space at the No. 1 court.

Then Fraser worked the wonders of his left-handed service to deefat Sweden's Sven Davidson in another frantic five-setter, 6—4, 6—8, 6—2, 3—6, 8—6.

Kurt Nielsen of Denmark rounded out the last fourth. He caught the United States champion, Mal Anderson of Australia, hobbling with pain from a strained ankle ligament and won, 6—2, 6—3, default. Nielsen meets Fraser tomorrow. Rose faces Cooper.

Miss Gibson's opponent will be left-handed Ann Haydon, the heroine of the British Wightman Cup victory over America.

Miss Haydon, who reached the final of the world table tennis championships at Stockholm two years ago, knocked out the Brazilian star, Maria Bueno, 6—3, 7—5, in another of the upsets that has thrown the women's seedings into a turmoil.

Mimi Puts Up Battle

Mme. Suzi Kormoczi, the Hungarian typist who won the French championship in May, just got by Miss Arnold, the Redwood City (Calif. youngster who had beaten Christine Turman earlier.

Mme. Kormoczi, led, 5—2, in the third set, but lost four games in a row as Mimi came up to the net on everything. Then she settled down to take the match, 6—1, 5—7, 8—6.

Mme. Kormoczi next faces Angela Mortimer, the British girl who was on the sidelines last year with back injuries and nervous debility and considered not fit enough for the Wightman Cup squad.

Miss Mortimer had enough in the clutch to win from Mrs. du Pont, 4—6, 6—3, 10—8, after the 1947 Wimbledon champion had rallied from a 1-3 deficit in the third set.

Mrs. du Pont had entered the singles as an afterthought, coming here as the non-playing Wightman Cup captain.

Rose Plays Impressively

Only Rose was convincing in victory. The 28-year-old southpaw from New South Wales has won nearly every championship, including the French and Italian titles this year. He is one of the game's great volleyers and his

touch had MacKay wrong-footed from start to finish.

Rose won the first four games as MacKay double-faulted once in the first and three times in the third. He got the break he needed in the second set when his Dayton rival footfaulted and then double-faulted.

At 4-4 in the third set, another MacKay double-fault and two screaming backhand shots by Rose down the lines brought the Australian home coasting as he held his service for the match. He hasn't lost a set at Wimbledon and now is favored for one of the few crowns that has eluded him.

Wilson's uphill battle against Cooper started tamely enough. Cooper led, 6—4, 6—2, when it started raining. Then Wilson caught fire. He is the only Briton in ten years to have reached the last eight in the Wimbledon men's play.

Serving with ferocity despite his slight frame and punching his volleys into the corners, Wilson took the third and fourth sets and was suddenly at 3-all in the fifth.

Two chances he had to break through and twice he netted. It was 5-all then, and Bobby slashed a backhand across court for advantage Cooper aced him.

By now the other courts were deserted and the spectators were massed outside, watching the points flash on the electric scoreboard. Cooper dug in. Three times he reached match point; twice he netted Wilson's blockbuster serve, the next time Bobby buried a smash. Another chance for Cooper. Wilson netted.

For too long it seemed as if America would be shut out entirely. Miss Gibson had run off the first set easily, if shakily, against Miss Bloomer — usually a sitting target for her.

Miss Bloomer took heart. She broke Althea to lead in the second set, 4—3, and lost it back. She broke Althea's delivery again to lead, 6—5, and lost that, too. Then, in a great burst, Shirley ran off four games, taking the set at 8—6 and leading 2—0 in the next.

It was a true test for the champion under pressure. Althea passed it as a champion should. She rifled her high-kicking serve deep into the corner on Shirley's backhand and followed it carefully to the net to stick the volley and smash away.

She was far stronger off the ground now, getting a bite into her forehands to deep court and still going to the net to slap the return away. Miss Bloomer scuttled gamely around court, going for everything. It was no good. Althea raced through six games in nine minutes for the match.

MEN'S SINGLES

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MEN'S DOUBLES

Third Round—Pierre Darmon and Paul Remy, France, defeated Mike Hann and Ivor Warwick, Britain, 4—6, 6—1, 6—4, 6—4.

WOMEN'S SINGLES

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WOMEN'S DOUBLES

Second Round—Janet Hopps, Seattle, and Sally Moore, Bakersfield, Calif., defeated Sheila Armstrong and Miss Haydon, Britain, 8—6, 8—9, default.

Third Round—Mme. Philip Chatrier, France, and Miss Mortimer defeated Rita Bentley and Mrs. P. C. Palmer, Britain, 6—1, 6—3; Miss Gibson and Senorita Bueno defeated Karol Fageros, Miami, and Mrs. Dorothy Head Knode, Forest Hills, Queens, 6—4, 6—3; Mary Hawton and Thima Long, Australia, defeated Sandra Reynolds and Renee Schuurman, South Africa, 7—5, 6—2; Edda Buding and Ilse Buding, formerly of Germany and now listed as stateless, defeated Lorraine Coghlan and Fay Muller, Australia, 6—2, 3—6, 7—5; Anne Shilcock and Pat Ward, Britain, defeated M. O. Bouchet and Florence de La Courtie, France, 6—4, 6—4.

MIXED DOUBLES

First Round—Warren Woodcock, Australia, and Mrs. Knode, defeated P. F. Hearnden, Australia, and Mrs. R. B. R. Wilson, Britain 6—2, 6—2; Jaroslav Drobny and Mme. Drobny, Egypt, defeated D. Reilly, Australia, and P. M. Nettleton, New Zealand, 6—3, 6—4.

Second Round—I. Sikorski, stateless, and Frau Inge Vogler, Germany, won by default from Don Candy, Australia, and Mrs. Heather Segal, South Africa; Franz Hainka and E. Broz, Austria, defeated A. C. Kendall, Australia, and Isabel Troccole, New York, 6—3, 6—3; J. I. Tattersall and Miss D. M. Catt, Britain, won by default from J. B. Bartroli and Pilar Barril, Spain.

Gibson gets two crowns at Wimbledon

Baltimore News

WIMBLEDON, England, July 5—(AP)—Althea Gibson, the pride of Harlem, established herself more firmly as the queen of women's tennis Saturday by smashing Angela Mortimer of Britain 6-3, 6-4, for her second straight Wimbledon championship.

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The 30-year-old Negro star teamed with Maria Bueno of Brazil to capture the women's doubles crown also, but her bid for a grand Wimbledon "triple" was shattered when she and Kurt Nielsen of Denmark were beaten in mixed doubles by a pair of dark-horse Australians, Bob Howe and Lorraine Coghlan.

Nevertheless, it was Althea's day on the revered center court at Wimbledon and the crowd of 17,000, including the Duchess of Kent, gave her a standing ovation when she left the arena at the close of the long, hard day.

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Woman to Watch

Althea Gibson—To Tell Her Story

ALTHEA GIBSON came home again last week—and this time there was no ticker tape parade on lower Broadway, no official welcome on the steps of City Hall. She merely disembarked from a Pan American plane, four tennis rackets cradled in her arms, some silverware she won in England in her hands.

Herald Tribune

The fame of the world's greatest woman tennis player suffers from the law of diminishing returns. A year ago, the Wimbledon victory of the tall, long-legged Negro lass was a spectacular peak in a heart-warming success story.

New York

But, even for a Lindbergh, a ticker tape parade is a once-in-a-lifetime experience and there was little Miss Gibson could do for an encore. Early this month she won at Wimbledon again. Late next month, she'll probably successfully defend the national championship she won at Forest Hills last year.

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QUITE reasonably, Miss Gibson, who will be 31 in August, is thinking of her future and has been for some time. She loves tennis and her life, for the past few years, has been a pleasant one with her skills carrying her around the world. But this cannot last forever and amateur tennis, by itself, can provide little for her materially in the years to come.

Up until now, Miss Gibson's 16 years of hard work have been rewarded by fame, by a scholarship at Florida A. and M. which equipped her to work as a physical education teacher, by honor—a handshake from the Queen of England, a presentation from the vice president of the United States.

Born in a South Carolina hamlet, her story really began on the play streets of Harlem where her family moved when she was two. Her father is a garage mechanic. The family, which includes three sisters and a brother, lived in a walk-up tenement.

Althea Gibson

A Police Athletic League supervisor was struck with her skill at paddle tennis, played in the streets with wooden paddles and a rubber ball. He presented her with a stringed racket and arranged for her to be coached at Harlem's Cosmopolitan Club. But it was seven years after she won her first Negro tournament before she received, for the first time, an entry blank to the nationals at Forest Hills.

That was in 1950. There was still a steep, winding road before her. The final turning point appears to have been reached in 1955 when the United States State Department sent her around the world on a Good Will tennis tour. When she returned she had gained poise and confidence.

In her case amateur tennis has been just what the word amateur means, but now—

"The Grass Was Greener" is her autobiography scheduled for November publication. Parts will appear serially in the "Saturday Evening Post." She has earned a little singing on television shows and has cut a long-playing record. The possibility of joining the professionals on tour is existent but obscure.

Someday Miss Gibson may be able to afford an apartment large enough to display some of the trophies she has won.

TOMMY HOLMES

Althea Predicts Wimbledon Victory

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NEW YORK—A confident Althea Gibson, having been named to head America's Wightman Cup team, which will compete against England's outstanding women tennis players next month, has predicted another Wimbledon championship.

The slim net swatter from Harlem, who also reigns as the U.S. tennis champion, made her bold prediction just before leaving for London for a series of preliminary tournaments prior to Wimbledon. "I'm certain I can win again at Wimbledon," the 30-year-old tennis ace predicted.

"While my new career (she made her singing debut on television Sunday on the Ed Sullivan TV show) has interfered somewhat with my tennis program, I'm certain that I'll have enough time to round into top form in time for the Wimbledon championships."

At the same time she was being named to head the U.S. tennis team in England, Miss Gibson was also formally awarded the Babe Didrikson Zaharias trophy as the "woman athlete of the year."

Miss Gibson described the award as "the greatest honor in my life. This award is so outstanding because it doesn't represent one sport, but all sports.

"I hope I might win it again, but it seems as though my career may interfere."

Miss Gibson is the second woman to receive the trophy set up by George Zaharias, husband of the late Babe, at her request. Pat McCormick, the diving champion, won the honor in 1957.

Althea will keep the large trophy until someone wins it. A smaller reproduction, however, is hers to keep.

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Memento From Babe—Althea Gibson, world's top woman tennis player, receives the Babe Didrikson Zaharias trophy as the "Woman Athlete of the Year" after winning the title on the basis of a poll of sports writers and sports broadcasters. Presenting the trophy to Althea is George Zaharias, husband of the famous woman athlete who died several years ago of cancer.

WOMAN ATHLETE OF YEAR—Miss Althea Gibson, world's top tennis player, receives Babe Didrikson Zaharias Trophy from George Zaharias, whose wife, Babe Zaharias, won the honor six times before her death in 1956.

Mayor Cites Althea Gibson at 'Tennis Day' Reception

The New York Times

Tennis Day is proclaimed at Gracie Mansion by Mayor Wagner, honoring Miss Althea Gibson. At reception, from left: Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Gibson, Miss Gibson's parents; Mayor, Miss Gibson and Mrs. Wagner. Miss Gibson holds U. S. and Wimbledon championships.

Mayor Wagner and other city officials praised Althea Gibson yesterday for her achievements in tennis and for her sportsmanship. They spoke at a reception in honor of the New York tennis star at Gracie Mansion.

Reading a proclamation in which he declared [illegible] day to be Tennis Day in ho[illegible] the holder of the Un[illegible] and Wimbledon Women's tennis championships, the Mayor said of Miss Gibson:

"Her skill and performance have earned her recognition as a brilliant athlete, and her keen sense of fair play and sportsmanship have won world-wide aclaim for her as a worthy champion."

Hulan Jack, Manhattan's Borough President, said "Miss Gibson's achievements have made every American proud and grateful for what you have done for this great land."

In thanking the city officials for honoring her, Miss Gibson said that it recalled "the ticker-tape welcome" she had received a year ago after winning her first women's title at Wimbledon, England.

TENNIS ACE Althea Gibson deplanes from Pan American World Airways Clipper that returned her to New York on July 8 after second consecutive Wimbledon triumph. She carried a silver tray, symbol of singles championships she previously won in the Northern Lawn tennis tournament in Manchester, England. Althea will compete in the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association tournament at Forest Hills.

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Captures Women's Double Title, Too

By GLENN CURRIE

WIMBLEDON, England — (UPI) — Althea Gibson of New York retained her Wimbledon singles and doubles titles Saturday, but failed in her bid to become the tournament's first woman triple champion since 1951.

Miss Gibson, first Negro to win a Wimbledon crown — symbol of amateur tennis supremacy — won the women's singles crown by rallying to defeat England's Angela Mortimer, 8-6, 6-2.

Althea rested while unseeded Sven Davidson and Ulf Schmidt of Sweden won the men's doubles title by upsetting top-seeded Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser of Australia, 6-4, 6-4, 8-6. Then she teamed with Maria Bueno of Brazil to win the women's doubles crown by downing Margaret Osborne DuPont of Wilmington, Del., and Margaret Varner of Boston, 1-3, 7-5.

The 65 - minute triumph over Miss Mortimer and 46 - minute victory over the DuPont - Varner tandem set the stage for Miss Gibson's dramatic third appearance before the standing - room center court crowd of 15,000.

After a short rest, Althea and Denmark's mustached Kurt Nielsen returned to the lush turf to close out the 72nd Wimbledon championships in the mixed doubles final. Miss Gibson hoped to become the first woman to sweep three titles since Doris Hart of Miami did it in 1951. But she and Nielsen bowed to Australia's Bob Howe and Lorraine Coghlan, 8-6, 12-11 as the light faded and splatters of rain fell on the court.

Miss Gibson, 30, was dead-tired in the mixed doubles and fell heavily in the first set. She did her best but was unable to give Nielsen much help against the fresh Australians. But Althea's victories paced America to three titles and a share of another decided on the final day of the two-week tournament. Cooper won the men's singles title Friday by defeating Fraser.

Americans won both the junior girls and boys' singles titles. Sally Moore of Bakersfield, Calif., defeated Anna Dmitriega, of Russia, 6-2, 6-4, in the girls' final while Karl Berkholz, 15, of St. Louis, took the boys' final by defeating Premjit Lal of India, 6-1, 6-3. Miss Dmitrieva was the first Russian girl ever to compete at Wimbledon. She gave Miss Moore a good tussle and lost mainly because her service was erratic.

It was a repeat of last year's Wimbledon windup for Miss Gibson. She won the singles by defeating Darlene Hard of Montebello, Calif., and teamed with Miss Hard to win the doubles. But her 1957 bid for the triple was ruined when she and Fraser lost to Miss Hard and Australia's Mervyn Rose in the mixed doubles final.

ALTHEA GIBSON

AND STILL CHAMP — Victorious Althea Gibson of New York holds trophy she won for retaining her Wimbledon Singles championship in Wimbledon, England. Miss Gibson also retained her doubles title but failed in a bid to become the tournament's first woman triple champion since 1951. Althea is the first Negro to win a Wimbledon crown, symbolic of amateur tennis supremacy.

Gibson Wins Wimbledon Net Title

Pride Of Harlem Establishes Self As Tennis Queen

By TOM OCHILTREE
Associated Press Sports Writer

WIMBLEDON, Eng. (AP) — Althea Gibson, the pride of Harlem, established herself more firmly as the queen of women's tennis Saturday by smashing Angela Mortimer of Britain 8-6, 6-2 for her second straight Wimbledon championship.

The 30 - year - old Negro star teamed with Maria Bueno of Brazil to capture the women's doubles crown also but her bid for a rare Wimbledon "triple" was shattered when she and Kurt Nielsen of Denmark were beaten in mixed doubles by a pair of dark-horse Australians, Bob Howe and Lorraine Coghlan.

Nevertheless, it was Althea's day on the revered center court at Wimbledon and the crowd of 17,000, including the Duchess of Kent, gave her a standing ovation when she left the arena at the close of the long, hard day.

The Harlem miss who once had a reputation for becoming unnerved in critical spots showed her mettle by twice coming from behind to beat Miss Mortimer, a statesque blonde who can thread the line with a backcourt drive from either side.

Suffering what she called "center court jitters," Miss Gibson fell behind 0-2, 2-4 and 3-5 in the first set and had one set point against her before her powerful, manlike service pulled her out of trouble. Eleven times in that first set a footfault was called against her and five times she served double-faults.

Miss Mortimer also jumped into the lead 2-0 in the second set, while the partisan British crowd cheered wildly, but Althea reversed the trend and with a mangi-

the American team of Mrs. Margaret du Pont of Wilmington, Del., and Margaret Varner of El Paso, Tex., 6-3, 7-5, for the women's doubles championship. But in mixed doubles played in the Wimbledon twilight, Howe and Miss Coghlan defeated Althea and the big dane, Nielsen, 6-3, 13-11.

Miss Gibson, although tall and sturdily built, was so near exhaustion at this stage that her shots had lost much of their original bite.

Another major surprise — the biggest of the tournament — was unfolded in the men's doubles final. Two unseeded Swedes, Sven Davidson and Ulf Schmidt, knocked off the top-seeded Australian Davis Cup pair, Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser, 6-4, 6-4, 8-6.

Davidson and Schmidt levelled their attack at the weaker end of the Aussie axis, left-handed Fraser, and played like a pair of berserk Vikings in pulling off one of the big tennis surprises in years.

Cooper had won the men's singles title by beating Fraser in the Australian final Friday, climaxing a dreary campaign for America's once proud forces.

But on a side court, Uncle Sam's younger element gave promise of a brighter future by capturing both the junior boys and girls championships.

Earl Buchholz Jr., 17-year-old Davis Cup hopeful from St. Louis, won the boys title by crushing P. J. Lal of India 6-1, 5-3. Sally Moore of Bakersfield, Calif., captured the girls crown with a pair of triumphs.

Miss Moore first defeated Pat Balling of Denmark 6-0, 7-5 and then took the measure of Anna Dmitrieva of Russia 6-2, 6-4. It was the first appearance at Wimbledon for the Russians.

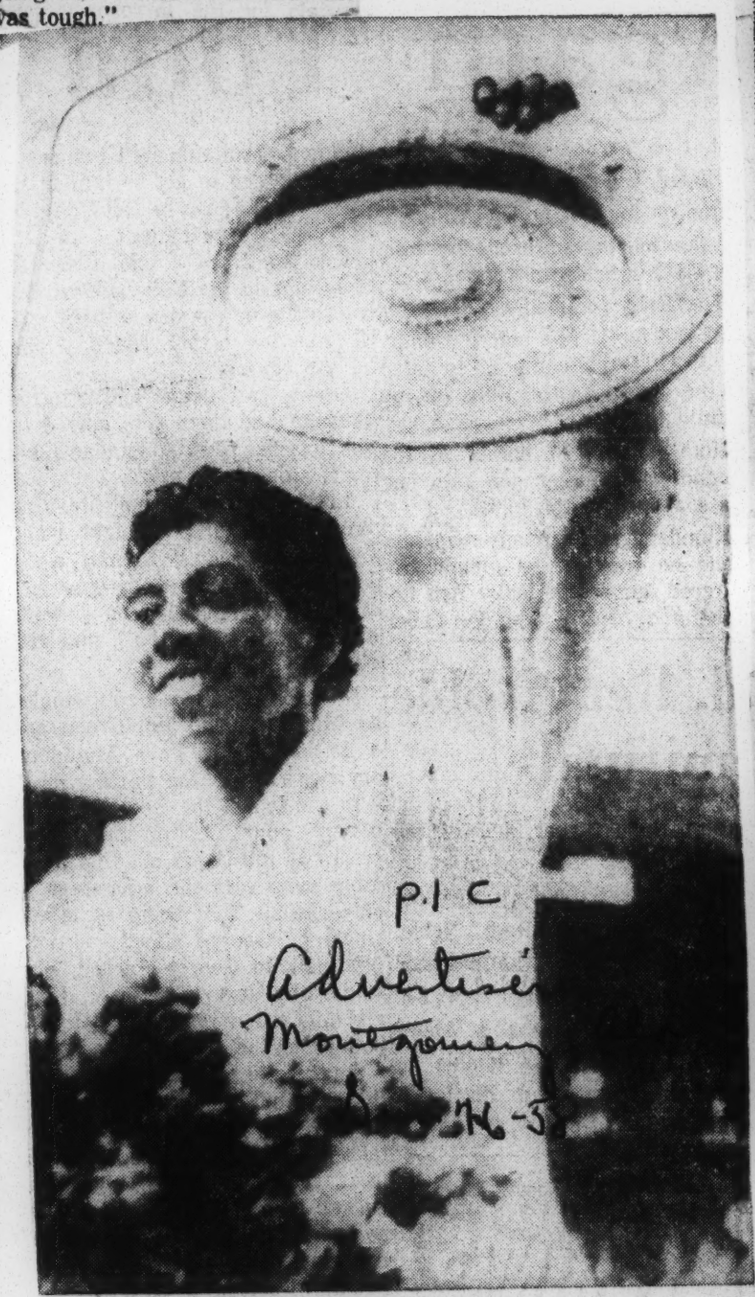
It looked like a losing battle for Miss Gibson in the first set, particularly when she fell behind 4-5 and 30-40, with Miss Mortimer serving.

At this point Althea saved the day with one of the finest shots of the match. She sent a forehand drive steaming at Angela's feet and the British girl could only net it weakly.

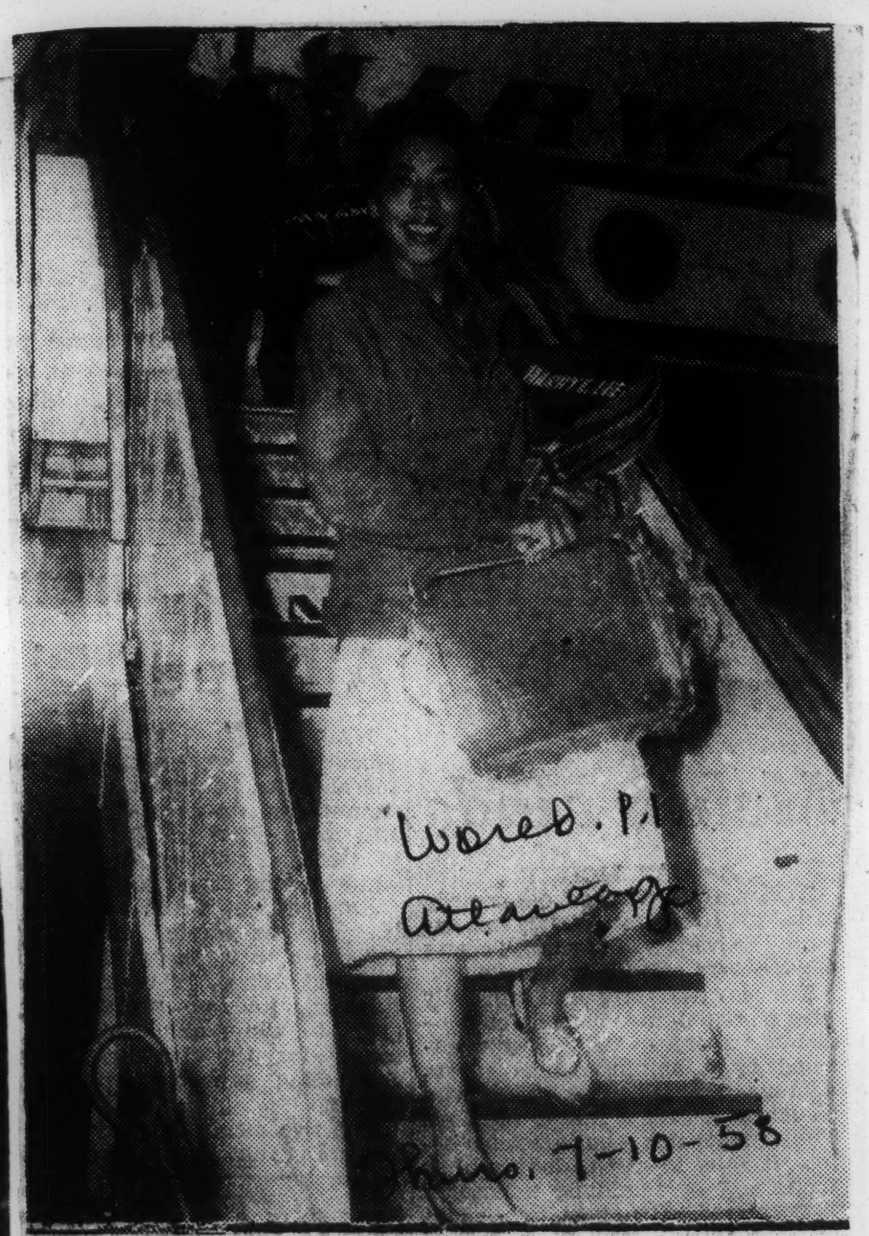
Then Althea started going. She served powerfully to hold and then broke Miss Mortimer in the 14th game for the set.

The strength of Althea's service is reflected in the fact that in the last four times she served in the first set the British girl got only four points.

Miss Mortimer also was helpless against Althea's crackling delivery in the second set. "I knew I had her when my first serve started going in," Althea said. "But she was tough."



ALTHEA GIBSON WAVES WINNER'S PLATE
New Yorker Defeated Angela Mortimer



NETS MORE CHAMPIONSHIPS — Tennis Ace Althea Gibson deplanes from the PAN AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS CLIPPER that returned her to New York July 8 after her second consecutive Wimbledon triumph. She carried a silver tray, symbol of the singles championship she previously won in the Northern Lawn Tennis Tournament in Manchester, England. Althea will compete in the U. S. Lawn Tennis Association Tournament at Forest Hills next month.

Miss Gibson Takes Title; Olmedo Halts Giammalva

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By ALLISON DANZIG

Special to The New York Times.

HAVERFORD, Pa., July 26—An 18-year-old California girl provided the most exciting moments of the week in the Pennsylvania lawn tennis championship today with the challenge she offered to Althea Gibson.

Miss Gibson won the final-round match, 7—5, 2—6, 6—4, but not until Sally Moore had extended her as had no other American rival in turf play since her triumphs at Wimbledon and at Forest Hills a year ago.

The vigorous, discerning California junior lost the opening set after breaking through for a 3-2 lead, then clearly outhit Miss Gibson in the second set with a backhand bombardment that delighted the 2,700 onlookers at the Merion Cricket Club.

Behind at 0—4 in the final set, Miss Moore came on again to stir the capacity crowd with an onslaught that brought her to 4—5 and the opportunity to draw even on her service in the tenth game.

Regains Tourney Honors

There Miss Gibson called a halt to end matters, but the strong, mobile girl from Bakersfield came off the court as the most exciting of the rising young players of the country.

Miss Gibson, competing in her first tournament since she retained her Wimbledon crown, regained the Pennsylvania title she won in 1956. The set she lost to Miss Moore was the only one she yielded all week.

The final of the men's singles will be played Sunday at 2 o'clock between Barry MacKay of Dayton, Ohio, and Alejandro Olmedo of Peru, intercollegiate champion from the University of Southern California.

Olmedo, who has resided in this country for five years, has been mentioned as a possible member of the United States Davis Cup team. The possibility would seem all the greater after his performance today in crushing Sam Giammalva of Houston, 6—1, 6—1, 6—2.

MacKay gained his final bracket Friday in a three-hour match with Ronald Holmberg.

Olmedo produced probably the finest tennis he has shown on turf in this country in dispatching Giammalva in an hour of play. The Texan had beaten Victor Seixas, our ranking player, in the quarter-finals and last week was the winner over MacKay in the national clay court championship. Today, he was utterly at the mercy of the brown-skinned young Peruvian whom the players call "The Chief."

Giammalva's Service Fails

Giammalva, who was a member of the 1956 challenge round Davis Cup team, could do little right today. His service failed him from the outset and his inability to get the first ball in play had a deleterious effect upon his whole game, particularly his volleying.

From the opening game the wiry, agile Olmedo was on him, to harry him at every turn with rocketing service, streaking return of service and passing shots that were always out of reach. Giammalva was ever straining to keep on the ball, unable to get off the defensive or dictate the pattern of the play.

Olmedo, a study in concentration as he relentlessly pressed the attack, won the first four games in seven minutes with the loss of only five points. His service was whiplash, like his marvelously fluent backhand, and not until the fourth game of the third set was Giammalva able to get to 40 when receiving.

The Texan, who never gave up the hopeless fight, finally managed to break service for the first time at 1—4 in this set, and it was not until the third game of this concluding set that his service showed at its best as he got his first ball in play to score two aces.

Appraisal of Prospects

As Olmedo played he looked to be a worthy antagonist for any amateur in the world. Giammalva, with his game in a bad slump, from which he never was permitted to recover, was unable to furnish a test of the Peruvian's capacity, and perhaps it would be prudent to reserve judgment until Olmedo plays MacKay Sunday but The Chief today went a good way toward substantiating the high appraisal of his prospects by his fellow players for the past two years.

Miss Gibson gave credit to Miss Moore for the excellence of her play in their final-round match. She said that the California girl had given her her "toughest" fight on grass in the United States since she lost to Shirley Fry at Forest Hills in 1956.

Miss Moore took a set from Miss Gibson in the Pacific Southwest championship last year. Perhaps that explained in part the confidence and aggressiveness with which the youngster played today. But these are characteristic of Miss Moore in her every appearance.

Strong of physique, fast afoot and well armed all-around, the California girl has the physical equipment to become a dangerous contender for the national championship. She has, too, the intensity of purpose and the comprehension.

Her backhand brought gasps from the gallery as she whaled the ball as hard as any woman player hits it. Her forehand is paceful and deep, too, though not as drastic. She volleys very well for one of her years and she has a severe first service and varies it with an effective short spin, usually on the second ball, though the way she tosses the ball in the air is a giveaway.

Miss Moore makes use of the drop shot and the lob, is alert to the opening and is full of enterprise in maneuvering for position.

Miss Gibson needed all her poise and coolness to withstand the vigor and variety of Miss Moore's attack and the staunchness of her defense. The champion showed her mettle in the brilliance with which she reacted after losing her service in the fifth game of the opening set to the Californian's lob and two volleys.

In the second set Miss Moore was clearly the stronger shotmaker, scoring fifteen times on outright winners, to six for Miss Gibson. The Californian swept ahead at 5—1, scoring heavily from the backhand, which Miss Gibson was attacking, and led at 40—15 in the next game. The champion pulled out the game but yielded the next for the set.

Miss Moore seemed to have excellent prospects of winning the match when they left the court for the intermission. But her control was gone when they resumed play and her backhand failed her badly.

Miss Gibson, volleying at h best and serving well, led 4—0 and had point for 5— Here Miss Moore rallied to thr the gallery as she saved t fifth game from 0—30 and t sixth from 0—40 and continu on to 4—5. With her serv now coming up, it seemed an thing could happen, but t champion regained comma and ended matters with a cro court forehand and one of h clever drop shots.

Miss Gibson returned to t court to win a second tit With Karol Fageros of Mia she defeated Mrs. Margaret d Pont of Wilmington, Del., a Margaret Varner of El Pa 6—3, 6—2, in the final of t doubles.

BARKER DEFEATED BY PHILADELPHIAN

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Seixas Makes Season Debut in Pennsylvania Tennis—Holmberg, Reed Win

Sun. 7-22-58

By ALLISON DANZIG

Special to The New York Times.

HAVERFORD, Pa., July 21—Victor Seixas and Althea Gibson, the ranking players of the country, returned to action today as the Pennsylvania championships, the first of the big grass court tennis tournaments, started at the Merion Cricket Club.

Malcolm Anderson of Australia, winner of the United States championship, was due to arrive in New York by plane from England tonight and start play tomorrow.

Barry MacKay, Ronald Holmberg and Whitney Reed, all ranked in our top ten, are other contenders for the title. Mrs. Beverly Baker Fleitz, Karol Fagaros and Mrs. Margaret du Pont are among Miss Gibson's leading rivals in the women's division.

Seixas, competing in his first outdoor tournament of the season, was sharp and fit in defeating Robert Barker of Manhasset, L. I., 6-1, 6-2. The Philadelphian has been devoting himself to learning the investment banking business after representing the United States in the Davis Cup challenge round for seven years.

Despite his layoff, Seixas appeared physically keen. His service and volley were functioning in a manner calculated to discourage resistance.

Barker Puts Up Fight

There was no discouraging Barker, regardless of the odds. He is not the most formful player—neither is Seixas—but he makes the most of his equipment with an insistent aggressiveness and boldness in his hitting.

Though he got only three games, the Long Island player kept Seixas on his toes to hold the interest of the gallery all the way. Hid the Philadelphian not been so inevitable in coming up with the winner on the big point Barker could well have doubled the number of his game.

Miss Gibson, back in competition after successfully defending the English championship at Wimbledon, won quickly, 6-0 —1.

Her opponent was Mrs. Milcent Miller of Astor, L. I., whc cked both the tournament experience and the severity of roke to withstand the weight Miss Gibson's blows. One me was all she could manage extract, though she had ances to win other at 40—15 d 40—30.

MacKay Holmberg and Reed, ho stand fifth, sixth and ghth, respectively, in the nalonal ranking, advanced without the loss of a set.

Holmberg, out of competition with bursitis since the Intercollegiate championships, scored heavily with his service in defeating Don Ralph of Bethesda, Md., 6—1, 6—4.

No Pain From Injury

The big, blond Brooklyn youth said after the match that he had experienced no pain in letting out at full speed. It appears that he is back on the list as a candidate for the Davis Cup team.

His overspin backhand was scoring beautifully. Most of his errors came on his forehand, in part owing to tardy footwork.

Ralph, a Notre Dame undergraduate, put up a strong fight with his effective service, which he supported staunchly at the net. He broke service to make it 2-all in the second set and was doing very well until he outsmarted himself in the ninth game.

With the court open for a cross-court smash, he played the ball directly back to Holmberg, who managed to hit it back for a winner. Ralph was so upset that he double-faulted twice in a row to lose his service.

THE SUMMARIES

MEN'S SINGLES, FIRST ROUND

Barry MacKay defeated Leif Beck, 6—3, 6—1; Allen Fox defeated William Cullen, 10—8, 6—3; John Cranston defeated Rudy Hernando, 8—6, 6—4; Maxwell Brown Jr. defeated Conway Catton, 6—4, 6—1; Mike Green defeated Newton Meade, 6—3, 7—5; John Brownlow defeated Richard Raskind, 6—3, 6—2; Jose Ochoa defeated James Schnaars, 3—6, 6—3, 6—4; Ron Holmberg defeated Don Ralph, 6—1, 6—4.

Chris Crawford defeated Stephen Gottlieb, 6—0, 6—3; Straight Clark defeated James B. Buck, 6—3, 6—3; Gerald Moss defeated James Schmidt, 6—4, 8—6; Gardnar Mulloy defeated Don Thompson, 6—1, 6—1; Gregory Grant defeated Sidney B. Wood 3d, 6—4, 6—2; Harry Hoffmann Jr. defeated Edward Atkinson, 6—3, 6—2; E. Victor Seixas Jr. defeated Robert M. Barker, 6—1, 6—2; Crawford Henry defeated Ellis Slack, 6—1, 6—2.

Jack Frost defeated John Mangan 6—3, 6—3; Robert Delgado defeated Richard Gaines, 6—2, 2—6, 6—4; Ralph Howe defeated Roger Werksman, 6—4, 8—6; Ronnie Fisher defeated David Harum, 14—12, 6—3; Whitney Reed defeated Jon Erickson, 6—2, 6—1; Norman Perry defeated William Scarlett 6—1, 6—1; Gordon Davis defeated Alan Roberts, 9—7, 10—8; Robert Perry defeated Paul Cranis, 6—2, 6—2.

Alejandro Olmedo defeated Pablo Eisenberg, 6—4, 6—4; Edward Sledge defeated Morton Stern, 6—3, 10—8; Donald Dell defeated Eduardo Guzman, 6—1, 8—6; Kosei Kamo defeated Forrest Stewart, 8—6, 4—6, 6—1; Milke Green defeated Newton Meade, 6—3, 7—6; Jon Douglas defeated Andres Donnadieu, 6—3, 6—8, 7—5; Richard Sorlien defeated John Fleitz, 2—6, 6—4, 10—8. (Stuart and Anderson did not play today.)

Lois Felix defeated Jane Feise, 6—0, 6—0; Mrs. Laura Lou Kunnen defeated Joy Vawderrama, 6—2, 6—2; Karol Fageros defeated Mrs. Joan McCracken 6—0, 6—3; Ruth Jeffrey defeated Gloria Young, 6—1, 6—2; Margaret Varner defeated Carol Ann Loop, 6—2, 6—2; Judy Sylvester won by default from Gwendolyn McEvans; Mrs. Barbara Scofield Davidson defeated Sandra Loubat, 6—1, 6—2. (Mrs. Daphne Anderson and Dorothy Martin did not play today.)

Althea Takes Two Titles in Pennsylvania

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HAVERFORD, Pa., July 26 (AP).—Althea Gibson of New York, the United States and Wimbledon champion, won the Pennsylvania women's lawn tennis title today and teamed with Karol Fageros of Miami to win the doubles at the Merion Cricket Club.

She defeated Sally Moore of Bakersfield, Calif., 7—5, 2—6, 6—4, for her second State title. She last won in 1956.

Miss Gibson and Miss Fageros outstroked the veteran pair of Mrs. William Dupont, jr.

of Wilmington, Del., and Margaret Varner of El Paso, Tex., 6—2, 6—3.

In a men's semifinal, Peru's Alejandro Almedo surprised Sammy Giammalva of Houston, Tex., 6—1, 6—2, to enter the finals tomorrow against Barry MacKay of Dayton, Ohio. MacKay rallied yesterday to defeat Ron Holmberg, Brooklyn, N. Y., 10—12, 10—12, 6—4, 6—1, 6—4.

Miss Gibson staved off a Moore rally in the third set. Miss Moore fought from a 4—0 deficit to trail 5—4. Miss Moore is Wimbledon junior titleholder and was seeded seventh in the tournament. Miss Gibson was top seed.

Miss Fageros played an outstanding hand in the double triumph. She and Miss Gibson broke through Mrs. DuPont's service for a 5—2 lead in a deuce game of the second set. The Miami "Golden Goddess" served the final game effectively.

Althea wins 2 Pa. titles

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HAVERFORD, PA.—Wimbledon champion Althea Gibson captured two Pennsylvania State tennis titles here Saturday at the Merion Cricket Club.

The thirty-year-old Harlem star defeated Sally Moore of Bakersfield, Calif., 7-5, 2-6, 6-4 to gain the women's singles crown, then teamed with Karol Fageros of Miami to annex the doubles title.

The Gibson-Fageros combination, playing together for the first time scored a relatively easy victory over the more experienced pair of Margaret Osborne Dupont of Wilmington, Del., and Margaret Varner of El Paso, Tex., 6-3, 6-2.

The Dupont-Varner tandem was runnerup to Miss Gibson and Maria Bueno in the women's double final at Wimbledon.

Her triumph here last week marked Althea's second in three years. She won the singles in 1956, but did not defend last year due to a conflict in her playing schedule.

As Best In Their Fields

Althea Gibson, Ernie Banks Win 1958 Top Honors

(From Wire Services)

NEW YORK—Althea Gibson and Ernie Banks took top honors in their sports fields, by winning over all other competitors, it was revealed Friday.

Miss Gibson, the temporarily retired queen of tennis, has added another glorious chapter to her life's story by being chosen the outstanding female athlete of 1958 in the annual Associated Press year end poll.

Banks, of the Chicago Cubs wound up the year in fine style when he added the slugging crown to his home run and runs batted in titles and his National League most valuable player award for 1958.

Miss Gibson, one time tomboy of Harlem, received 133 first place votes out of a possible 202 counted on a basis of three for first place, two for second place and one for third place.

Carol Heiss, 18-year-old World figure skating champ, was a distant second with 21 first-places and 199 points and golfer Beverly Hanson was third with 10 first-place votes and 126 points.

Banks came by his newest laurel, the slugging championship, when official league averages showed that he compiled a .614 figure by collecting 379 total bases in 617 times up.

That gave him a clear-cut margin over Willie Mays of the Giants, who was runnerup in slugging, with a .583 average. Hank Aaron of the Braves was third with .546 and Frank Thomas of the Pirates and Stan Musial of the Cardinals were tied for fourth and fifth places with identical marks of .528.

Banks couldn't have had a better year if he had ordered it beforehand. His total of 47 homers not only led the National League, but also set a major league record for the most homers ever hit by a shortstop in a single season. He also paced the circuit with 129 runs batted in while registering a .313 batting average.

For the second straight season, Richie Ashburn of the Phillies led the league in walks with 97. Ashburn also won the batting championship with his .350 average.

Gene Green of the Cardinals grounded into the most double plays, 24. Toughest man to double was Jim Davenport of the Giants, who grounded into four twin-killings.

The league strikeout title was "won" by Harry Anderson of the Phillies, who fanned 95 times.

In team slugging, the Cubs finished on top with .426, followed by the Giants with .422. The Cardinals finished last with a .380 average.

She's Real Thrilled

Althea All Set For Movie Assignment

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By VERNON SCOTT
UPI Hollywood Correspondent

HOLLYWOOD — (UPI) — Tennis star Althea Gibson lobbed her net career into temporary limbo last week to volley around the sound stages with John Wayne and William Holden in a new movie.

ALTHEA GIBSON
All Set For Movie

The soft - spoken athlete is as excited about her film debut as she is before a championship match.

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"MY GOODNESS, who wouldn't be thrilled working with Wayne and Holden," she said. "They're the very best in the business.

"I've never had a minute's dramatic coaching. Never took a lesson in my life. Come to think of it, I've never been on a stage before, except to sing a couple of times on Ed Sullivan television shows.

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"BUT I DON'T believe I got the part in the picture just because of my tennis fame. I wouldn't be in Hollywood today if Director John Ford didn't think I could do the part the way he wants it done. So I'll do the best I can. I've done that all my life."

Articulate and unassuming, Althea will play a housemaid in a southern mansion during the War between the States in "The Horse Soldiers."

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"IT'S NO WALK-ON part to capitalize on her name value. Atheahas several highly dramatic scenes requiring a professional performance.

"I didn't even know I had the part until a couple of weeks ago," she smiled. "I took a screen test quite a while back, but I didn't have any idea how it would turn out.

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"BEFORE ACCEPTING the role I checked very carefully to make certain the job wouldn't interfere with my amateur status as a tennis player. That's the most important thing in my life.'

Althea says she has given up competitive tennis for a year, but will continue to work out to keep in shape and, on occassion, take part in exhibition matches because "so many of my friends want to see me play."

LIKE MOST newcomers to Hollywood, Althea is anxious to meet the stars.

"I want to see all of them," she enthused, "expecially Frank Sinatra.

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"THIS PICTURE might open an entire new career for me. It might be nice to become a full - time actress, but it all depends on how well I perform this time. One thing good about living in Hollywood —I could play tennis all year long. I like golf, too, and hope to play during the next month."

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ALTHEA IS A tall, gangling girl in repose, but when she moves there is a litheness, an agile cat-like quality about her. She was dressed casually in a red blouse, black shorts and sandals.

"I think tennis has prepared me a little bit for acting," she said.

"Through tennis I learned poise and dignity. You stand alone out there on the court and have no one else but yourself to blame for your mistakes. I believe acting is a lot that way, too."

Tennis Star Althea Gibson Honored By AP As Outstanding 'Female Athlete Of Year'

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By HUGH FULLERTON JR
The Associated Press

Althea Gibson, a tall, lanky, sometimes awkward girl whose athletic progress from Harlem's teeming sidewalks to the top of the tennis world often has been impeded by lack of competition, today scored another notable triumph—almost without a contest.

Miss Gibson, Wimbledon and American women's tennis champion, was selected as the Outstanding Female Athlete of 1957 by an overwhelming vote of the 214 sports writers and broadcasters participating in the Associated Press year-end poll.

Miss Gibson will receive two large trophies. One is the Fraternal Order of the Eagles-Frederick C. Miller Trophy won last year by Mrs. Pat Keller McCormick, the Olympic diving champion. The other is the Babe Didrikson Zaharias Trophy, presented in memory of the famed all-around athlete who was selected six times as the nation's outstanding woman athlete in the AP poll.

The 30-year-old New York girl, who started out playing paddle tennis on the sidewalks, received 420 out of a possible 516 points in the balloting. Nearest to her was Patty Berg, professional golfer and 1955 woman athlete of the year, with 95 points. Bowling champion Marion Ladewig came in third with 81.

The sports writers and broadcasters were asked to name three women athletes, with points being awarded on a 3-2-1 basis.

Miss Gibson received 123 votes for first place, 20 for second and 11 for third. Miss Berg and Mrs. Ladewig each received 12 first place votes.

There was no question about Miss Gibson's supremacy in her own game. She won two of the world's top tennis championships and lost her only singles match of the year in the final of a third. That was the Australian championship in January, where she was beaten by Shirley Fry. Althea beat Darlene Hard, another American, in straight sets in the Wimbledon final and conquered Louise Brough in the final at Forest Hills.

Her other 1957 titles included the U.S. clay courts, Asian championships, Pacific Southwest and Pacific Coast.

It was a year of notable "firsts" for the Harlem girl who earlier had been the first Negro to play tennis on the exclusive courts at Wimbledon and Forest Hills. In 1957 she realized her long standing ambition to become the first of her race to win the national championship.

Only a few years before, Althea, a native of South Carolina, had been discouraged and "ready to chuck it all."

Others who finished high in the balloting included Mrs. Marlene Bauer Hagge, golfer, with 48 points; Mrs. McCormick, now retired from competitive diving, with 45; figure skater Carol Heiss, 26; golfer Jackie Pung, who lost the Women's Open title through disqualification, and diver Paula Jean Myers, 16 each; Ladies PGA golf champion Louise Suggs, 13, and Betsy Rawls, Women's Open golf champion, 11.

Another Crown—Tennis queen Althea Gibson, winner of many crowns during 1957, received one of the biggest honors of her career Sunday when she was named the outstanding female athlete of 1957 by an overwhelming vote of 214 sports writers and broadcasters participating in the Associated Press year-end poll. Althea won the honor virtually without opposition.

BEST GIRL ATHLETE IS ALTHEA GIBSON

Commercial Appeal

'My Greatest Honor,' Says Wimbledon Champ

Memphis Tenn.

WILLIAMS TOPS IN POLL

Sun. 2-16-58

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—"This is my greatest honor," Althea Gibson said Saturday after receiving the trophy as outstanding female athlete of 1957.

"My past honors have been confined strictly to tennis," she added. "This covers women in all sports. I am deeply moved to be able to join such famous athletes as the late Babe Zaharias, Patty Berg and Pat McCormick as winners of the award."

Donated By Eagles

The Frederick C. Miller Trophy, donated by the Fraternal Order of Eagles, was presented to the Wimbledon and American tennis champion by Judge Robert Cannon of Milwaukee in the offices of the Associated Press.

The trophy is based on the annual Associated Press poll of sports writers and broadcasters.

A similar trophy went to Ted Williams, the baseball slugger of the Boston Red Sox, as male athlete of the year.

Miss Gibson, 30, who first learned to play the game with wooden paddles on the sidewalks of Harlem, won by a landslide. She received 420 of a possible 516 points—325 more than her closest challenger, golf pro Patty Berg, who had 95. Bowling champion Marion Ladewig was third with 81.

Flirting With Career

Althea is busy preparing for another amateur tennis champion while flirting with a singing career and parrying questions about a possible pro tennis tour. Only this week promoter Jack Kramer said he would like to add Miss Gibson to his pro troupe.

"I can't comment on professional tennis until I get a concrete offer," the tall Negro girl said. "If the offer were a good one, I might be interested. Until then, I am going on with my amateur tennis plans."

Althea will begin the season by playing in a tournament at Barranquilla, Colombia, March 3-9. She also will appear in other South American cities if a schedule can be worked out, she said.

"I plan to play in Carracas, Venezuela, if all the trouble is over by that time," she added. She referred to the recent Venezuelan revolution. She will invade Europe in May and aim at defense of her Wimbledon title.

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HONORED: Althea Gibson accepts Frederick G. Miller trophy naming her outstanding female athlete of 1957. Making presentation was Judge Robert Cannon of Milwaukee.

MISS GIBSON GETS 'GREATEST HONOR'

Tennis Champion Receives a Trophy as Outstanding Female Athlete of '57

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"This is my greatest honor," Althea Gibson said yesterday after receiving the trophy as outstanding female athlete of 1957.

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"My past honors have been confined strictly to tennis," she continued. "This covers women in all sports. I am deeply moved to be able to join such famous athletes as Babe Zaharias, Patty Berg and Pat McCormick as winners of the award."

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The Frederick C. Miller Trophy, donated by the Fraternal Order of Eagles, was presented to the Wimbledon and American tennis champion by Judge Robert Cannon of Milwaukee in the offices of The Associated Press.

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The trophy is based on the annual Associated Press poll of sports writers and broadcasters.

A similar trophy went to Ted Williams, the Boston Red Sox slugger, as male athlete of the year.

Miss Berg Second

Miss Gibson, 30, who first learned to play the game with wooden paddles on the sidewalks of Harlem, won by a landslide. She received 420 of a possible 516 points—325 more than her closest challenger, Miss Berg, a golf professional, who had 95. Marion Ladewig, a bowling champion, was third with 81.

Althea is busy preparing for another amateur tennis campaign while flirting with a singing career and parrying questions about a possible pro tennis tour. Only this week the promoter, Jack Kramer, said he would like to add Miss Gibson to his pro troupe.

"I can't comment on professional tennis until I get a concrete offer," Miss Gibson said. "If the offer were a good one, I might be interested. Until then, I am going on with my amateur tennis plans."

Althea will begin the season by playing in a tournament at Barranquilla, Colombia, March 3-9. She also will appear in other South American cities if a schedule can be worked out, she said.

She Will Invade Europe

"I plan to play in Caracas, Venezuela, if all the trouble is over by that time," she added. She referred to the recent Venezuelan revolution. She will invade Europe in May and prepare to defend her Wimbledon title.

Althea is intent on making a mark for herself as a singer. She has made night club appearances and only last week cut her first commercial record.

"If I could establish myself as a singer I'd probably give up tennis," she said. She has a husky voice and specializes in popular numbers.

Miss Gibson swept through women's tennis last year. Besides winning the Wimbledon and American championship, she also captured the national clay courts, Asian, Pacific Southwest and Pacific titles. She was beaten in the final of the Australian nationals by Shirley Fry.

Althea Gibson Wins Nationals.

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Retires From Tournev Tennis

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Rally Subdues Darlene Hard

FOREST HILLS, N.Y. (AP)—Althea Gibson saved her tottering tennis throne with a comeback victory over Darlene Hard in the U.S. finals Sunday and then, in a surprising move, relinquished it for a singing career.

"I may never play tournament tennis again," the gangling Harlem girl said after beating Miss Hard, a bouncy ex-waitress from Monticello, Calif., 3-6, 6-1, 6-2, for her second straight American championship.

Australia's Ashley Cooper reversed the result of the 1957 final and won the men's championship with a brilliant, come-from-behind triumph over his Davis Cup teammate, Mal Andeson, 6-2, 3-6, 4-6, 10-8, 8-6.

And he accomplished the feat after injuring his right ankle in the 12th game of the final set.

The darkly handsome, phlegmatic young man from Melbourne thus completed a rare "triple"—the Australian, Wimbledon and U. S. crowns in a single year. The match produced brilliant, dramatic tennis—particularly in the final two sets — between two players who seemed to anticipate each others every move.

The announcement of Althea's retirement was made at an informal press conference.

Miss Gibson, who learned the game with crude paddles on the sidewalks of teeming Harlem, was heavily bundled and sniffling with a cold when she was ushered into the press marque at the West Side Tennis Club.

"This was my last tournament match for at least a year," she said. "I will not defend at Wimbledon next year nor at Forest Hills. I plan to concentrate on my singing career."

Althea has appeared on national television networks with her throaty rendition of popular ballads and has cut one record album called "Althea Gibson Sings." Besides, she recently completed her memoirs, which ran serially in a national magazine and have been put into book form.

"Right now I say I will be out of tennis a year," Althea said. "I don't want to predict what will happen after that. But soon I will begin to slip back and that won't be pleasant. I would prefer to quit at the top."

Asked if she would be open to a professional tennis offer if one came from promoter Jack Kramer, Miss Gibson said:

"We would consider it."

She quickly added that no offer had been made.

Cooper's victory over Anderson, who had beaten him in four of their last five meetings including the 1957 U.S. final, was crammed with dramatics.

The 21-year-old Melbourne star appeared on the verge of certain defeat when he launched his comeback in the fiercely fought fourth set. Once he fell behind 0-40 on his service and then won five points in a row and finally salvaged the set.

In the 12th game of the bitterly fought fifth set, leading in games, 6-5, on his service but trailing in points, 15-40, Cooper took a nasty spill while scrambling for a placement hit by Anderson.

He lay on the court for several moments, writhing in obvious pain. The crowd became silent and tense. Officials and doctors rushed to the court.

For a while it appeared Cooper's magnificent comeback attempt would die in the laps of this unfortunate fate. Then he limped back into the match, amid loud cheers.

SAM LACY'S A TO Z

FOREST HILL, N.Y. — For some people there is always a crossroads just ahead . . . . one such person is Althea Gibson . . . . in the years behind her, she was faced with the difficult problem of determining the right course from the wrong while brushing with the ever-present stigma of juvenile delinquency in Harlem streets . . . . later, it was the choice between school and idleness, then tennis . . . . since putting her heart into the racquet sport, the crossroads have been many.

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Aside from the social handicaps which naturally plagued an "invader" who doesn't belong to the "Country-Club Set," Miss Gibson suffered from an inability to play the tournament circuit because of a lack of funds . . . . once she managed — with the aid of government sponsorship — to tour the bigtime, Althea began running into the likes of Maureen Connolly and Doris Hart . . . . when Miss Connolly was forced out of competition by injury, there were those who hailed Miss Gibson as her logical successor.

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Instead of Althea, though, it became Doris Hart . . . . then when Miss Hart retired, it would surely be Miss Gibson . . . but it wasn't . . . Shirley Fry began playing the best tennis of her life . . . . she thwarted Althea at both Wimbledon and Forest Hills . . . . then she retired . . . . last year, Miss Gibson won Wimbledon, but victory there only served to double the pressure . . . . now she had to win Forest Hills to prove herself . . . . she did.

A year later, Althea was at Wimbledon and again she was confronted by a need to prove herself . . . . defeat at the hands of Britain's young Christine Truman in the Wightman Cup matches a short time before left a question-mark which she had to erase . . . . Miss Gibson didn't erase the doubt where Miss Truman was concerned because she didn't get the chance . . . . someone else eliminated Christine before she could reach the round with Althea . . . . so when after again winning Wimbledon, Miss Gibson had two huge question-marks awaiting her on her arrival here.

Not only was Althea under prodding to take Forest Hills again, but still ahead was the ominous threat of her young British conqueror . . . . Althea beat Christine . . . . enough? . . . . no, she then was looking into the face of an older and more consistent nemesis, Beverly Baker Fleitz . . . . in their only three previous meetings, Mrs. Fleitz had handled Miss Gibson as though she owned her . . . . here then was another crossroads . . . . Althea passed it, then Forest Hills again . . . . is she now on her way, smooth riding ahead?

Not exactly . . . . there's no money in tennis . . . . Althea needs money, as don't we all? . . . . a pro tour, which Althea could reasonably expect, isn't likely, since there's no one suitable as an apponent . . . . a singing career might provide the money she'd like . . . . but it would have to be one or the other, tennis or music . . . . another crossroads.

Althea off strongly in Forest Hills defense

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FOREST HILLS, N.Y. — Althea Gibson vaulted into the second round of the National Women's Tennis Championship here Saturday with relative ease.

Miss Gibson launched the defense of her 1957 title by routing youthful Carole Wright of New York, 6-1, 6-2.

The Harlem queen, who celebrated her 31st birthday five days earlier—on Aug. 25—was under no pressure from the Brooklyn sophomore. She didn't lose a single service and virtually conceded the three services won by Miss Wright, with an assortment of experiments in shotmaking.

Baltimore

ALTHEA'S WIMBLEDON doubles partner, Maria Bueno of Brazil, showing evidence of the help given by Miss Gibson, also won her opening match. The pretty South American upset Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Cal., 6-2, 9-7.

Miss Arnold, a member of the U.S. Wightman Cup Team, is ranked sixth among American women players.

While Miss Gibson was making her first start, another tan aspirant for women's honors was not faring so well.

She was Gwen McEvans of Detroit, national colored singles champion last year.

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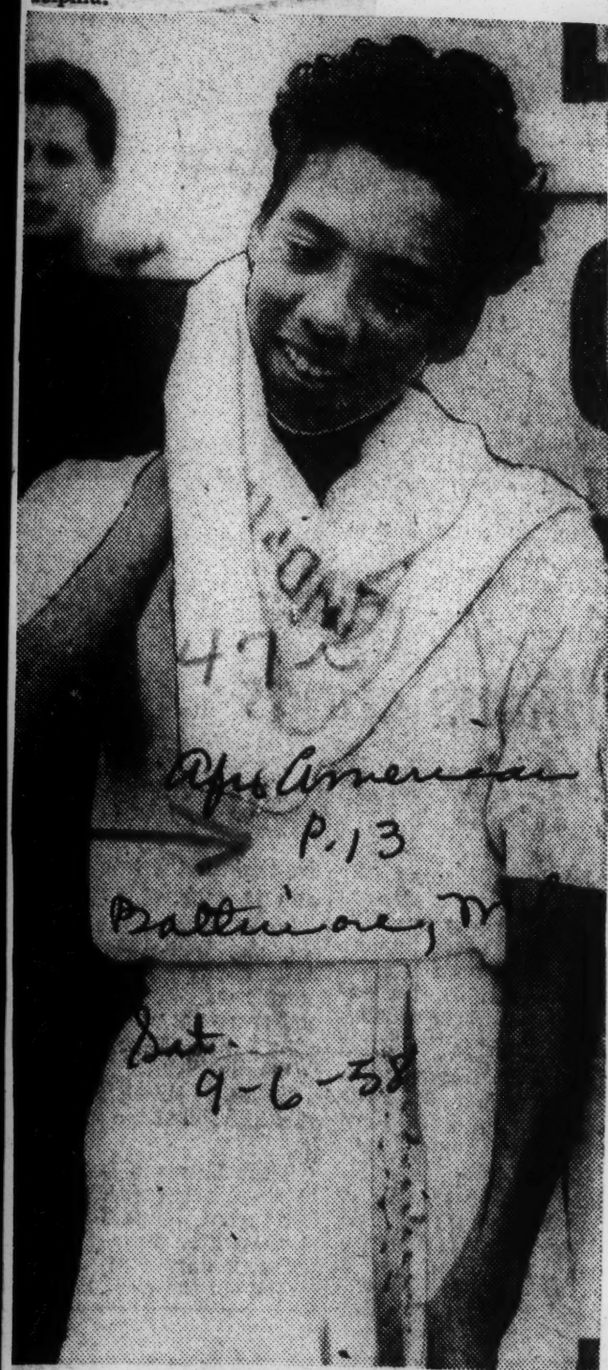
THE 18-YEAR-OLD Motor City high school graduate had the misfortune of meeting Dorothy Head Knode, the second-ranking U.S. woman player and the one seeded just beneath champ Althea for this tourney.

Mrs. Knode, a native of Forest Hills and member of the Westside Tennis Club, on whose courts the meet is played, recorded a 6-0, 6-0 victory.

The opening round did mean something to Edgar Lee of

Washington, D.C., however, Lee advanced to the second treat of the senior singles by virtue of a 6-3, 4-6, 6-1 triumph over Joseph Lipshutz of Philadelphia.



ALTHEA GIBSON

Gibson, Hard Gain Finals In U.S. Net Championships

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Atlanta, Ga.

Cooper Advances, Eyes Anderson; Gardner Mulloy Cops Senior Title

Sun. 9-7-58

FOREST HILLS, N.Y., Sept. 6 (AP)—Althea Gibson, who rose from the sidewalks of Harlem to queen of the tennis world, smashed into the final round of the U.S. National championships Saturday with a bouncy upsetter from California, Darlene Hard.

Grim and resolute but fighting a heavy cold, the 31-year-old Miss Gibson overwhelmed the ambidexterous Mrs. Beverly Fleitz of Long Beach, Calif., who had been boomed for the title, 6-0, 6-2.

Miss Hard, a chubby collegian from Montebello, Calif., who lost to Althea in the 1957 Wimbledon final, won a spotty match from Jeane Arth, St. Paul, Minn., school teacher, 7-5, 6-2.

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In the men's semi-finals, stripped of American talent for the first time in the 77 years of this grass court classic, Wimbledon champion Ashley Cooper systematically cut down his Australian Davis Cup teammate, Neale Fraser, 8-6, 8-6, 6-1. He awaited a possible return bout with fellow countryman, Mal Anderson.

Anderson, the scrawny Queenslander who beat Cooper for the championship last year, played dark-horse Ulf Schmidt of Sweden in the other half of the all-alien round of four.

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A CROWD of 10,000 came out to the West Side Tennis Club excited by the prospect that the seasoned Mrs. Fleitz who had beaten Miss Gibson in all of their three previous meetings, might pull off the upset of the decade.

Later Althea said she thought she played some of the best tennis of her career. "I knew Beverly would be tough," she said. "So I went out to put pressure on her. I did, and I kept the pressure on her all the way."

Mrs. Fleitz, 28, learned to swing a racket with either hand while still a small girl. Like Mickey Mantle, she is a switch hitter, shifting the bat to her left hand for all backhand assignments.

Against Miss Gibson, however, she lacked the deadly marksmanship which had marked her previous matches. Althea's wily strategy was responsible.

But the pretty, snub-nosed California matron, mother of two small girls, had none of the zip and zest in her shots which marked her crushing triumph Friday over the sensational Maria Bueno of Brazil.

Beverly was obviously tense and over-eager. Miss Gibson, after a slow start, was a veritable jungle cat on the court. She stalked every ball and hit with a vegeance.

As she walked from the court, sniffing and blowing, some one asked her what she thought of her prospective opponents, Misses Hard and Arth.

Men's Singles: Ashley Cooper, Australia, d. Neale Fraser, Australia, 8-6, 8-6, 6-1; Mal Anderson, Australia, d. Ulf Schmidt, Sweden, 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.

Women's Singles: Althea Gibson, New York, d. Mrs. Beverly Fleitz, Long Beach, Calif., 6-4, 6-2; Darlene Hard, Montebello, Calif., d. Jeanne Arth, St. Paul, 7-5, 6-2.

Senior Singles: Gardnar Mulloy, Miami, Fla., d. Hal Surface, Kansas City, 6-2, 6-0.

Mixed Doubles: Margaret Dupont, Wilmington, Del., and Neale Fraser, Australia, d. Christine Truman, Britain, and Gardnar Mulloy, Miami, Fla., 6-3, 6-4; Maria, Bueno, Brazil, and Alex Olmedo, Peru, d. Margaret Varner, El Paso, Tex., and Luis Ayala, Chile, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Althea makes bid for Forest Hills Supremacy

BULLETIN

FOREST HILLS, N.Y.— Althea Gibson defeated Darlene Hard here today (Sunday) to retain her U.S.L.T.A. women's single championship.

Wis. American

FOREST HILLS, N.Y. — Althea Gibson entered the Sunday finals of the National Women's Tennis Championships, opposing Darlene Hard of Montebello, Cal.

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It was this same Miss Hard who was Miss Gibson's opponent in the 1957 Wimbledon final when the 31-year-old Harlem girl captured her first major title after seven years on the big tennis circuit.

Only two other players have ever scored two consecutive slams by winning both the Wimbledon and U.S. championships; they were Helen Willis in 1930-31 and Maureen Connolly in 1951-

Baltimore

To reach Sunday's title bracket here, Miss Gibson was forced to wend her way through a gamut of trials. In addition to a strength-sapping five-day virus, the champion was required to face two of her most severe competitive tests leading up to Miss Hard.

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ON FRIDAY, Althea tangled with Christine Truman, who had defeated her the last time they met — in the important Wightman Cup matches in London.

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And on Saturday, the ailing Althea was across court from Beverly Baker Fleitz, a skittish challenger from Long Beach, Cal., whom Miss Gibson had never beaten in three previous meetings.

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Needless to say, the slender queen of the courts whizzed past all three foes — the sniffles, the 17-year-old Briton and the ambidextrous Californian— with an exhibition of sheer artistry.

Against Miss Truman, when the virus attack was at its peak, Miss Gibson had to endure a 20-game first set before emerging with the 11-9, 6-2 verdict.

At the finish Althea was thoroughly exhausted and left the court immediately to return to bed were she had spent most of Wednesday and Thursday.

It was in the Saturday semi-final, however, that Miss Gibson was to prove her greatness.

Mrs. Fleitz was generally regarded as Miss Gibson's equal, if not her superior, even when Althea was in good physical condition. And her convincing route of the sensational Maria Bueno of Brazil on Friday, had established Bev as a sort of female Wellington for the sub-par Althea.

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BUT WHEN THEY tangled on the famed stadium center court, it was a different story.

Miss Gibson took the stage at once. Attacking furiously from the opening serve, Althea engaged her two-handed rival at the latter's own game.

Mrs. Fleitz, with her talent of switching the racquet from one hand to the other, possesses what is conceded to be the strongest game in women's tennis.

Miss Gibson met her head-on, shoving power strokes into the deep court areas and daring Beverly to send them back.

Mrs. Fleitz relies chiefly on the long volleys, disdaining the net at all times. Miss Gibson stayed back with her, as though determined to beat the opposition where it preferred most to play.

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FOR THE 26-year-old Long Beach stylist, it was a case of threw Mrs. Fleitz off stride.

So much so, in fact, that Althea needed only 47 minutes to run out a 6-4, 6-2 match before hastening off for another session in bed with a heavy dose of antibiotics.

to what was undoubtedly an ordeal for her rival.

She repeatedly paused much longer than usual at the umpire's stand on each change of court. And she was far more deliberate than usual prepar[illegible] each serve.

The delays were a psychological hazard which obviously

being a two-pronged Gibson attack. Aside from the superb tennis displayed by Althea, Beverly had to cope with a calculated cold war that was waged by the Harlem ace.

Aware that Mrs. Fleitz is a hustler, constantly hurrying through a match, Miss Gibson elected to slow down the pace

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Althea wins at Wimbledon

Phila Inquirer
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WIMBLEDON, England—Althea Gibson of New York scored repeat victories in the famed All-England Tennis Championships here Saturday, winning the women's singles title and one of two doubles crowns at which she had a shot.

Baltimore

It was an exact duplicate of last year's tournament at Wimbledon, when she shared in the women's doubles and lost out in mixed doubles.

Althea overcame a slow start a series of adverse calls and her own foothamper in driving to her second consecutive singles crown early in the day.

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THE RAWBONED Harlem Queen lost the first two games to England's Angela Mortimer, and twice thereafter was behind by the same margin—at 2-4 and 3-5—before scoring an 8-6, 6-2 victory.

An hour and a half later, Miss Gibson took the court with Maria Bueno of Brazil, to win the women's doubles, Downing Margaret Osborne Dupont of Wilmington, Del., and Margaret Varner of Boston, 6-3, 7-5.

Moments later, the slender champion was back on the center surface with Kurt Nielson of Denmark, seeking a third title in mixed doubles.

Philadelphia Inquirer

The strain of three championship matches in one day was too much, however, Althea was of little help to her partner as they bowed to the Australian pair of Lorraine Coghlan and Bob Howe, 6-3, 13-11.

Sat 7-12-58

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SO TIRED was she that Miss Gibson fell heavily to the court at one stage and her vaunted strokes contained little power.

In the singles test Miss Gibson was favored over her young rival despite the fact that Miss Mortimer had won three of their four previous meetings.

The shaky start against Angela was due in large measure to Althea's long-time habit of swinging her follow foot over the baseline on service.

An unrelenting footfault judge called eight penalties for the infraction through the first six games.

It was the kind of handicap Miss Gibson had been unable to cope with in years past.

In 1933 she killed an excellent chance to upset Maureen Connolly at Forest Hills, when she became incensed over similar footfault rulings and went completely off her game.

This time, a more experienced Althea was able to control herself, thus proving her championship calibre.

The coveted trophy was presented Miss Gibson by the Duchess of Kent in the celebrated closing ceremony.

MISS GIBSON performed the unusual feat of qualifying for the triple crown on Friday. Having previously moved into singles, she spent the warm Wimbledon day winning semi-finals matches in both doubles divisions.

She teamed with Nelson to whip Billy Knight and Shirley Bloomer of England, 7-5, 6-3, in the mixed doubles. Later, Miss Gibson and Miss Bueno routed the Mexican team of Rosa Reyes and Yola Ramirez, 6-2, 6-3.

ON THURSDAY, Althea had won her way into the women's singles title bracket by trouncing Ann Haydon, 19 - year old British table tennis champion. It took the 1957 queen only 36 minutes to run out the match, 6-2, 6-0.

Miss Haydon took the defeat philosophically, telling newsmen afterward that she was "annihilated."

Ann had gained the semi-finals match with Althea by upsetting Miss Bueno on Tuesday.

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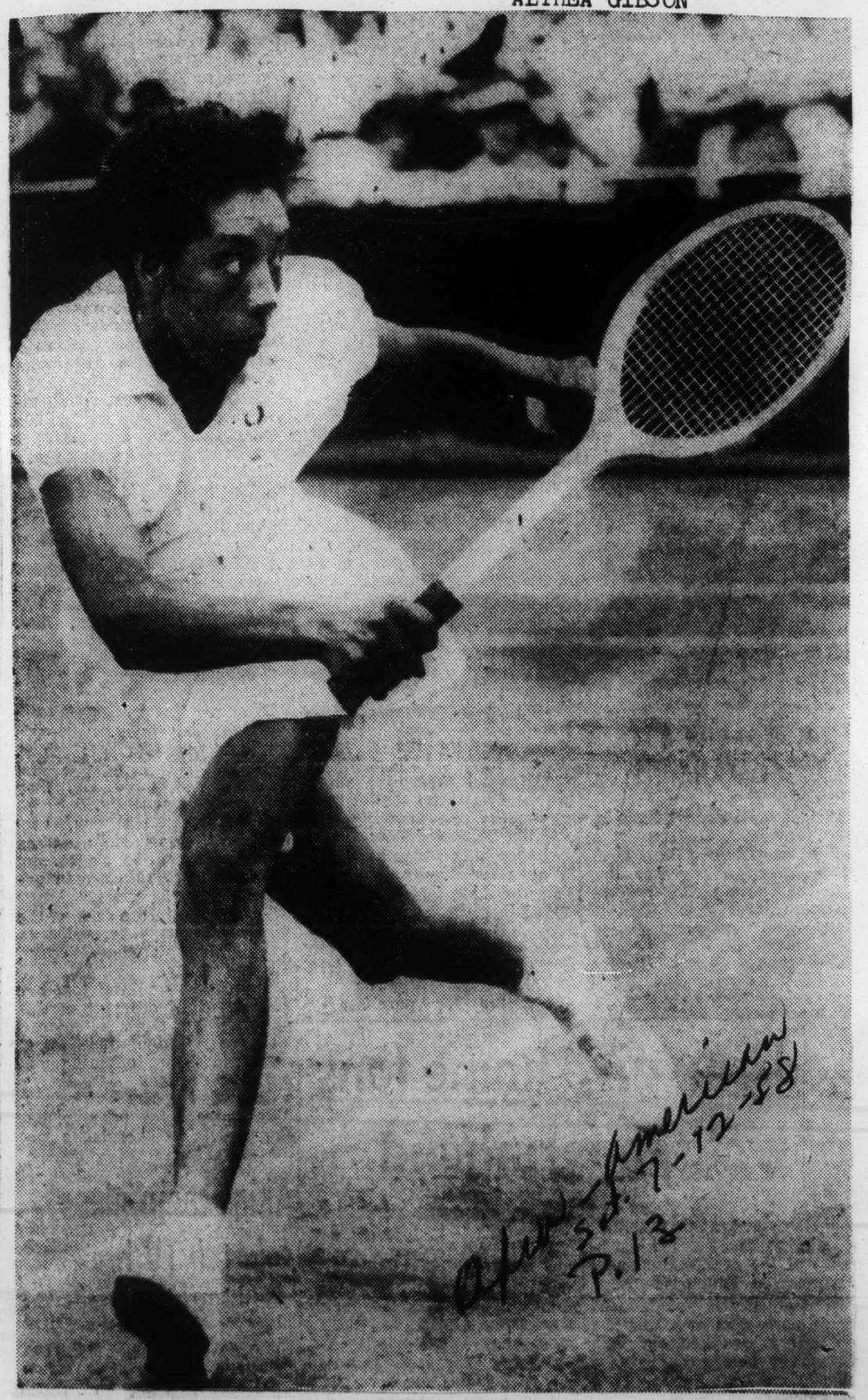
RAIN WHICH FELL here four of the first five days of the championships, had interrupted play to such an extent that there had to be considerable doubling up in the programming of matches.

As a consequence, Miss Gibson was required to play two quarter - finals rounds on Thursday. This is not customary when a singles match is involved. Nevertheless, Althea and her Danish partner had little difficulty disposing of Rod Laver of Australia and Christine Truman of Britain, in mixed doubles. The score was 6-4, 6-3.

ALTHEA GIBSON



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ALTHEA GIBSON

Althea Gibson Rules Again as Wimbledon Women's Net Champ

Times-Union p. 38

Jacksonville, Fla.

WIMBLEDON, England, July 5 (AP)—Althea Gibson, the pride of Harlem, established herself more firmly as the queen of women's tennis today by smashing Angela Mortimer of Britain 8-6, 6-2 for her second straight Wimbledon championship.

The 30-year-old Negro star teamed with Maria Bueno of Brazil to capture the women's doubles crown also but her bid for a rare Wimbledon "triple" was shattered when she and Kurt Nielsen of Denmark were beaten in mixed doubles by a pair of dark-horse Australians, Bob Howe and Lorraine Coghlan.

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Duchess of Kent Attends

Nevertheless, it was Althea's day on the revered center court at Wimbledon and the crowd of 17,000, including the Duchess of Kent, gave her a standing ovation when she left the arena at the close of the long, hard day.

The Harlem Miss who once had a reputation for becoming unnerved in critical spots showed her mettle by twice coming from behind to beat Miss Mortimer, a statuesque blond who can thread the line with a backcourt drive from either side.

Suffering what she called "center court jitters," Miss Gibsor fell behind 0-2, 2-4 and 3-5 in the first set and had one set point against her before her powerful, manlike service pulled her out of trouble. Eleven times in that first set a footfault was called against her and five times she served double-faults.

Miss Mortimer also jumped into the lead 2-0 in the second set, while the partisan British crowd cheered wildly, but Althea reversed the trend and, with a magnificent show of pluck and tennis stroking, reeled off six games in a row.

Gibson, Bueno Triumph

Althea and Miss Bueno defeated the All-American team of Mrs. Margaret du Pont of Wilmington, Del., and Margaret Varner of El Paso, Tex., 6-3, 7-5, for the women's doubles championship. But in mixed doubles played in the Wimbledon twilight, Howe and Miss Coghlan defeated Althea and the big Dane, Nielsen, 6-3, 13-11.

Miss Gibson, although tall and sturdily built, was so near exhaustion at this stage that her shots had lost much of their original bite.

Another major surprise—the biggest of the tournament—was unfolded in the men's doubles final. Two unseeded Swedes, Sven Davidson and Ulf Schmidt, knocked off the top-seeded Australian Davis cup pair, Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser, 6-4, 6-4, 8-6.

Davidson and Schmidt levelled their attack at the weaker end of the Aussie axis, lefthanded Fraser, and played like a pair of berserk Vikings in pulling off one of the big tennis surprises in years.

Cooper had won the men's singles title by beating Fraser in the Australian final yesterday, climaxing a dreary campaign for America's once proud forces.

But on a side court, Uncle Sam's younger element gave promise of a brighter future by capturing both the junior boys and girls championships.

Buchholz Wins Junior Title

Earl Buchholz Jr., 17-year-old Davis Cup hopeful from St. Louis, won the boys title by crushing P. J. Lal of India 6-1, 6-3. Sally Moore of Bakersfield, Calif., captured the girls crown with a pair of triumphs.

Miss Moore first defeated Pat Balling of Denmark 6-0, 7-5 and then took the measure of Anna Dmitrieva of Russia 6-2, 6-4. It was the first appearance at Wimbledon for the Russians.

It looked like a losing battle for Miss Gibson in the first set, particularly when she fell behind 4-5 and 30-40, with Miss Mortimer serving.

At this point Althea saved the day with one of the finest shots of the match. She sent a forehand drive steaming at Angela's feet and the British girl could only net it weakly.

Then Althea started going. She served powerfully to hold and then broke Miss Mortimer in the 14th game for the set.

The strength of Althea's service is reflected in the fact that in the last four times she served in the first set the British girl got only four points.

Miss Mortimer also was helpless against Althea's crackling delivery in the second set. "I knew I had her when my first serve started going in," Althea said. "But she was tough."

Althea Wins In 30 Minutes To Reach Wimbledon Finals

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Memphis, Tenn.

Fri 7-4-58

American Titleholder Routs England's Ann Haydon; Miss Mortimer Also Victorious

By The Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England, July 3.—Defending champion Althea Gibson of New York and Angela Mortimer, her old British rival surged Thursday to the Wimbledon women's singles final with relentless displays of near perfect tennis.

The American titleholder served and volleyed Ann Haydon, a 19-year-old British lefthander, out of the tournament, 6-2, 6-0. She wasn't even breathing heavily when she walked in triumph off the center court 30 minutes after she started.

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In the other semifinal Miss Mortimer — playing an entirely different type of game—crushed little Mrs. Suzy Kormoczy of Hungary with unerring backcourt steadiness 6-0, 6-1.

She completed the job in 25 minutes.

Meet Saturday

The two girls will meet Saturday for the title in a match which tennis enthusiasts hope will provide a great test of conflicting styles — Miss Gibson's booming overhead game against Miss Mortimer's angled drives.

Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser, two sunburned Australians who grew up together on the tennis courts of Melbourne, will battle for the men's singles crown Friday. Cooper was runnerup last year to compatriot Lew Hoad, now a professional.

Miss Mortimer, ill for more than a year with a virus infection, has made a comeback physically and in the tennis world. In four meetings with Miss Gibson, Miss Mortimer has won three times but the American player unseated her as the French champion in 1956.

Maybe A Triple?

Miss Gibson also advanced in mixed doubles, keeping alive her hopes of a rare Wimbledon triple. She and Kurt Nielsen of Denmark won over Rod Laver of Australia and Christine Truman of Britain in the fourth round 6-4, 6-3. The Harlem girl and Mario Bueno of Brazil gained the women's doubles semifinals Wednesday.

Americans still had a chance to bolster their crumbling tennis fortunes in the tandem divisions.

Towering Barry MacKay of Dayton, Ohio, and Mervyn Rose of Australia pushed into the men's doubles semifinals past a Yugoslav pair, Ilija Panajotovic and Ivko Plecevic, 6-3, 5-8, 6-3, 6-2.

Mrs. Margaret Du Pont of Wilmington, Del., perhaps still the best woman doubles player in the world, and Margaret Varner of El Paso, Texas, gave the United States a wholly American entry in the women's semifinals. They beat Edda and Ilse Buding of Germany, 6-3, 5-7, 6-3.

And Miss Varner, a physical education instructor who is one of the best badminton players in the world, joined Bob Perry of Los Angeles in winning a fourth round contest, in mixed doubles. Their victims were E. J. Hurry and Jean Forbes of South Africa 6-2, 4-6, 6-3.

Mulloy Loses

For other Americans it was a day of bitter disappointment. The amazing, 44-year-old Gardnar Mulloy of Miami, Fla., perhaps playing his last Wimbledon, and Brazil's Miss Bueno lost in mixed doubles to Bob Howe and Lorraine Coghlan of Australia 3-6, 6-4, 6-1. Janet Hopps of Seattle, suffering a leg injury, was forced along with her partner, Bill Quallian of Seattle, to default in mixed doubles.

Miss Gibson hypnotized Miss Haydon, Britain's top table tennis player, from the start. Miss Haydon held her own service

Battey's No. 3 homer in the fourth inning and a pair of walk-in runs in a weird eighth, went to Jim Wilson for a 7-6 season record.

Landis, who doubled in a pair of tallies in the seventh, added two more with his single in the next frame as the Sox inflated their score by four runs. Don Mueller led off the eighth with a double and Al Smith went in to run for him. Jim Rivera walked and Luis Aparicio singled to load the sacks with one out.

Miss Gibson captured 6 major tournaments

Althea Gibson, named the No. 1 athlete of the 1957 sports year, was one of the most devastating female personalities in the annals of American sports.

Not since the great Maureen Connolly departed from the scene in 1953 has a tennis player ruled the distaff set with the authority of the slender, 30-year-old Harlemite of the past campaign.

Six tourney trophies were annexed by Miss Gibson in a season that was highlighted by a ticker tape parade and welcome up New York's famed Broadway.

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ALTHEA won both the women's singles and doubles crowns at Wimbledon, defeating Darlene Hard of Montebello, Cal., to take the singles and then teaming with the same young woman to garner the doubles title.

She downed Louise Brough of Beverly Hills, at Forest Hills, N.Y., to acquire the U.S. Lawn Tennis Association singles championship, and paired with Kurt Nielsen of Denmark to win the mixed doubles honors.

Miss G then scored singles and doubles victories in the national clay courts championship at Chicago, downing Miss Hard for the singles and again playing with the young Californian for the doubles trophy.

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ALTHEA'S campaigning for the year was completed with a clean slate, in that she was unbeaten in tournament play.

Titles of lesser importance that were won by the brilliant New Yorker included the Northern championships at Manchester, England; the Sussex crown at Sussex, England; the Southwestern Pacific at Los Angeles, and the Northern at Denver, Colorado.

Magazine lists Miss Gibson on top ten roll

NEW YORK — Mademoiselle magazine, this week, listed Miss Althea Gibson, tennis ace, among its ten Merit Award winners.

For the 15th consecutive year, these awards have been presented to young women whose ages range from the late teens to the early thirties.

The young women are honored for signal achievements during the past year.

Also cited were:

Judith Szekeres, Hungarian student, cited as a "symbol of courage" in her country's fight for freedom; Dorothy Lundquist, science student; Barbara Rommey, poetry editor; Gisele MacKenzie, TV star; Dr. Charlotte Friend, cancer researcher; Jeanne Essig, fashion designer; Grace Hartigan, painter; Toshiko, jazz pianist; and Carol Lawrence, actress.

It Won't Be Long

Under normal circumstances we would not be talking about football and tennis in mid-winter.

But last Sunday there was a coast-to-coast broadcast of the all-star professional football game from Los Angeles.

And the next day, Althea Gibson was awarded the women's athlete of the year medal.

The next thing you know we will have most of our outdoor areas equipped with the new plastic bubble dome making it possible to have what we now consider to be summer and fall sports all year around.

MISS GIBSON GAINS BEST-OF-'57 PRIZE

Tennis Champion Wins Poll as Top Woman Athlete of Year—Patty Berg Next

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123 First-Place Votes

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It was a year of notable "firsts" for the girl who had been the first Negro to play tennis at Wimbledon and Forest Hills. In 1957 she realized her long-standing ambition to become the first of her race to win the national championship.

Once Ready to Quit

Only a few years before, Althea had been discouraged and "ready to chuck it all." Born in South Carolina, she came to New York as a child and learned to play paddle tennis along with other games. Soon she was best at this game.

Graduating to a regular court and racquet, she reached a dominant position in Negro women's tennis within a few years. There wasn't any opposition for her there, so in 1949 she took another step ahead, entering the Eastern indoor and national indoor championships. The next year she played for the first time at Forest Hills.

She found then it was a long way to the top, but she persisted until she got there.

Miss Berg, was named as the top woman athlete in 1938, 1943 and 1955. Only Mrs. Zaharias (1932-45-46-47-50-54) received the honor more often.

Tam o' Shanter Winner

In 1957 Patty won the Tam o' Shanter "World" and All-American championships, the Western, the Titleholders and the Havana invitation and finished as the leading money winner.

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Others who finished high in the balloting were Mrs. Marlene Bauer Hagge, a golfer, with 48 points; Mrs. McCormick, now retired from competitive diving, with 45; a figure skater, Carol Heiss, 26; a golfer, Jackie Pung, who lost the women's open title through disqualification, and a diver, Paula Jean Myers, 16 each; the Ladies Professional Golfers Association champion, Louise Suggs, 13, and Betsy Rawls, the women's open golf champion, 11.

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Savitt and Miss Stewart Head Eastern Lawn Tennis Rankings

By ALLISON DANZIG

Richard Savitt, a former Wimbledon champion, heads the new rankings of the Eastern Lawn Tennis Association, adopted yesterday.

Approval of the rankings, based on 1957 play, was one of the main items of business at the annual meeting of the association at the Sheraton-Astor Hotel. The delegates also re-elected the full slate of officers, headed by James B. Dickey of South Orange, N. J., and awarded championship tournaments.

Savitt, the winner of the Eastern grass court championship with a final-round victory over Victor Seixas, first in the recommended national rankings, is followed in the Eastern list by Ronald Holmberg of Brooklyn. Holmberg went to Australia as a member of the Davis Cup team.

Tony Vincent is ranked third, followed by Henry Van Rensselaer, who scored surprising victories over players in the top ten. Rated next in order are Irvin Dorfman, Sidney Schwartz, Paul Cranis, Laurence Schaffer, William Tully and Robert Barker.

Patricia Stewart is first in the women's singles rankings. Althea Gibson, who became the first Negro player in history to win the British championship at Wimbledon and also the American at Forest Hills, was left out of the Eastern list because she did not compete in a sufficient number of Eastern tournaments.

The officers re-elected, in addition to President Dickey, are Spencer deMille of South Orange, first vice president; Clifford B. Marsh Jr. of Buffalo, second vice president; George J. Enk of East Orange, secretary, and Harold E. Ammerman of Orange, treasurer.

Serving with those officers on the executive committee are Jones W. Mersereau, Walter L. Pate, P. Schuyler Van Bloem, Holcombe Ward, Russell B. Kingman, Maskell E. Fox, Richard M. Hurd and W. Dickson Cunningham, all former presidents.

The Orange Lawn Tennis Club at South Orange, N. J., will stage the Eastern grass court championships for five years under a new contract. The Eastern clay court championships for men went to the Oritani Field Club of Hackensack, N. J., and for women to the North Shore Tennis and Racquets Club of Bayside, Queens.

Jersey Sites Also Named

The New Jersey men's championships were awarded to the Arlington Players Club and the women's to the Berkeley Tennis Club.

The men's New York State tournament will be held at the North Shore Tennis and Racquets Club and the women's at the Beach Point Club. Colgate University will conduct the Eastern intercollegiates. The Huntington-Crescent Club will stage the Eastern senior grass court championship.

The Westchester Country Club, through Victor Kiam, made application for a suitable date for staging the international tournament of champions that it started so successfully last year.

The delegates heard from their officers that the membership had increased from 237 to 248 clubs in 1957, but that the association ended the year with a deficit of some $600, as compared with a profit of more than $1,000 in 1956.

Althea on Cup team

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Miss Gibson, the Wimbledon and American women's champion, became the first tan member of any national tennis team when she led the victorious American squad to victory in the 1957 Wightman Cup matches at Sewickley, Pa.

JOINING Miss Gibson on the team will be Dorothy Knode of Forest Hills, Karol Fageros of Miami, and Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif.

The squad was announced by Mrs. William Du Pont Jr., chairman of the Wightman Cup Committee.

ALTHEA GIBSON OPENS ENGLISH TENNIS TOUR

SURBITON, England— (UPI) — Althea Gibson of New York, preparing to defend her Wimbledon title, scored an easy 6-2, 6-1 victory over Gertie Preston of England Tuesday in the second women's singles round of the Surrey lawn tennis championships.

Miss Gibson, who arrived from New York by plane Tuesday morning, started slowly but her powerful smashes soon had Miss Preston the defensive. This is the first of four tournaments in which Miss Gibson will play before she defends her Wimbledon title.

Mimi Arnold, 19-year-old star from Redwood City, Calif., also advanced with a 6-3, 7-5 victory over Pat Hird of England.

Ronaldo Garrido of Cuba beat Wayne Van Voorhees of Palm Beach, Fla., 6-3, 9-7, in a first round men's match.

Florence Carter of San Francisco was eliminated in the second round of women's singles by Mrs. J. Deloford of England, 6-0, 6-1.

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Althea honored as top female athlete

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Althea Voted Top Athlete

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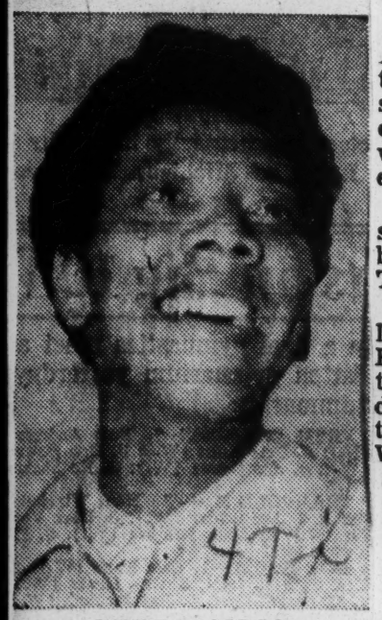

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Miss Gibson drops another

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Mrs. Fleitz scored a straight sets victory over the 1957 Wimbledon and Forest Hills queen. The scores were 6-4, 10-8.

Miss Gibson had previously lost to an American girl in Barranquilla, Colombia. At that time, two weeks ago, Althea dropped a 4-6, 6-4, 7-5 match to Janet Hopps of Seattle, Washington

Althea Gibson Is Semifinal Victim

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Janet Hopps, a cool, collected sharpshotter from Seattle, Wash., scored the biggest upset of the good neighbor tennis tournament Saturday when she ousted Althea Gibson, U. S. and Wimbledon titleholder from New York, in the semi-finals.

"Tell mother I won't be home for Easter," Miss Hopps cried happily as she tripped off the course after her startling 8-6, 6-2 victory.

The Pacific coast girl had made reservations on a night plane for home but cancelled in order to play in tomorrow's finals at 1 p.m. (EST) against Maria Bueno of Brazil.

Miss Bueno, one of the game's coming youngsters, entered the finals with a 7-5, 6-0 win over Mrs. Laura Lou Kunnen of Clearwater, Fla.

Miss Hobbs, the ninth ranked U. S. woman player, showed a brief streak of wildness at the start of her match with the champ but soon settled down and the complexion of the match changed abruptly as she won the first set.

She was in full control in the second set and Miss Gibson, who appeared to be nervous, committed several errors.

In the men's semifinals, top-seeded Mervyn Rose of Australia defeated the Mexican champion, Mario Llamas, 7-5, 6-1, and second-seeded Luis Ayala of Santiago, Chile, toppled Alejandro Olmedo, ninth rated U. S. played from the university of Southern California, 7-5, 1-6, 6-2.

TO SING ON TV — Althea Gibson, world champion woman tennis player, will make her debut as a singer on the Ed Sullivan television show Sunday night, May 25, after which she will embark for Europe to make ready for Wimbledond.

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DEFENDER VICTOR OVER ANN HAYDON

Times

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By FRED TUPPER

Special to The New York Times.

WIMBLEDON, England, July 3—It will be Althea Gibson of America against Angela Mortimer of Britain for the all-England women's tennis championship.

Miss Gibson routed 18-year-old Ann Haydon of Britain in thirty-one minutes today, 6—2, 6—0. Miss Mortimer routed 34-year-old Mme. Suzi Kormoczy of Hungary in thirty-one minutes, 6—0, 6—1.

Althea is the titleholder at Wimbledon. Her semi-final triumph was expected, although not by so wide a margin.

Angela is the first unseeded woman to reach a Wimbledon singles final since Helen Jacobs did it in 1938, and then it was only that Miss Jacobs had been downgraded because of a strained shoulder.

Miss Mortimer was expected to have only a remote chance against the Hungarian typist. The decisiveness of her victory left the huge Center Court crowd amazed. The 26-year-old blonde from Torquay had been ranked as the British No. 1 but she was out of action two years ago with a virus infection and had been slow to recover.

For the record, she caught the virus in Egypt, where she defeated Miss Gibson in the final, 6—0, 6—1. She has beaten Althea three of the four times they have met.

Drives Go Deep

Today Miss Mortimer had impeccable length on her drives and she was hitting outright winners cross-court on her return of service. Against Mme. Kormoczy, this is a feat indeed. Suzi is reckoned the best retriever in Europe and proved it in decisively winning the French championship in May.

Miss Gibson has been good and then indifferent in her appearances over here this spring. She lost to Christine Truman in the Wightman Cup and she had to rally to defeat Shirley Bloomer of Britain in the quarter-finals. Today she was at her superlative best.

Miss Haydon is an opponent of stature. She won the decisive point in the British Wightman Cup victory over the United States and she roughly shoved little Maria Bueno, the 18-year-old sensation, out of the quarter-finals. Ann, who is also ranked high among the world table-tennis stars, is nerveless under pressure.

Althea, a singer of some repute, started on a high note and stayed there. Her big, kicking service was flicking dust from the corners and she ambled quickly up to net behind it to slash off the returns.

While receiving she hit with depth and threaded a needle down the line with her forehand drives. Miss Haydon was caught far off balance, and that's what did her in. Up would come Miss Gibson to the net and away would go the flat volleys into open court for winners.

"Everything went well," said Althea. Indeed it did.

Miss Gibson meets Miss Mortimer Saturday. The men's final is tomorrow, between Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser, who live a few miles apart in Melbourne, Australia.

Sven Davidson and Ulf Schmidt of Sweden reached the doubles semi-finals in a fantastic match with the agile Indians, Nareth Kumar and Ramanathan Krishnan. The scores were 6—4, 7—9, 6—4, 11—9.

The Swedes play the power game, the Indians use guile. Today the losers employed the lob, a forgotten stroke in modern tennis. Unable to outhit the Swedes, they tossed balloons high over center court and interminably returned the Viking smashes. More often than not, they won the point.

For two hours Kumar and Krishnan had the Swedes shaking their heads with frustration as the slow balls rolled up into the sky. It just wasn't good enough, finally, and the vital point never came to the Indians in the crisis.

The Swedes draw the Italian Davis Cup players, Nicola Pietrangeliand the gigantic Orlando Sirola, in the next round. The Italians were fortunate. They met a Mexican duo, Francisco Contreras and Mario Llamas, dog-tired from a five-set victory over Anton Jansco and Istevan Sikorski, a stateless pair.

The wretched weather during the Wimbledon fortnight has caused matches to be bunched up. The Mexicans went on court against the Italians with an hour's rest. They won the first set and dropped the next three. The scores were 4—6, 8—6, 6—3, 7—5.

Barry MacKay, the staccato server from Dayton, Ohio, and Australia's Mervyn Rose reached the semi-finals just as they were expected to.

They won from the Yugoslavs, Ilija Panajotovic and Ivko Plecevic, 6—3, 5—7, 6—3, 6—2. Mackay and Rose now meet the top seeds, Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser.

In a ladies doubles semi-final, Mrs. Margaret Osborne du Pont of Wilmington, Del., and Margaret Varner of El Paso, Tex., faced the Buding sisters, Isle, 18 and Edda, 21, who are Argentine-born, hold German passports and live in the south of France.

The Budings won the first set, 6—3, dropped the second, 1—6, and led, 3—0, in the third. Then Mrs. duPont took over. Volleying and serving like a demon, she brought the Americans five games running, ultimately the set, 6—4, and match.

There was activity in the mixed doubles, chiefly by Lorraine Coghlan and Bob Howe of Australia. In order, they met and defeated Gardnar Mulloy of Coral Gables, Fla., and Señhorita Bueno, of Brazil, 3—6, 6—4, 6—1; Geoff Paish and Ann Shilcock of Britain, 6—4, 6—4, and Wladislaw Skonecki, Poland, and Karol Fageros of Miami, 6—2, 6—3.

They were exhausted at nightfall. "It helps" said Howe, "to play your ground strokes with two hands." He does.

Wimbledon Tennis Summaries

By The Associated Press

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MIXED DOUBLES

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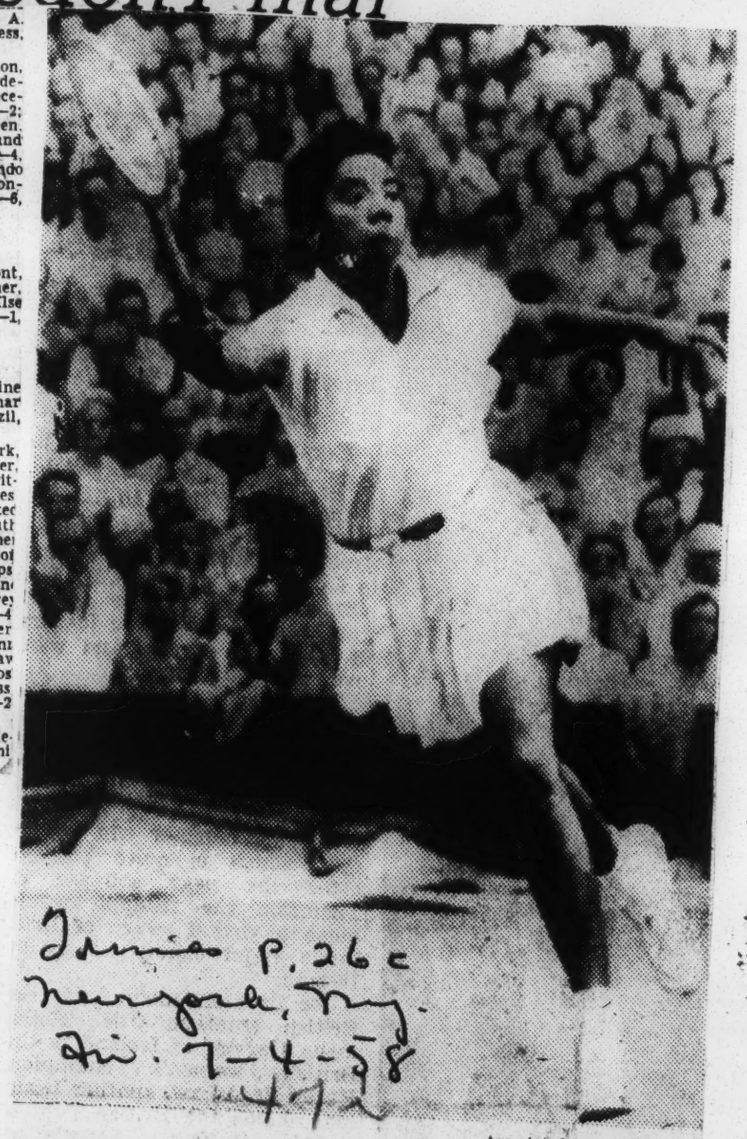

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American women's tennis fortunes have been dropping since Maureen Connolly retired in 1955.

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Miss Hopps was named to the team last Friday although it was not announced until Wednesday. She has been in regular practice with the Americans and has completely recovered from a fall she took last week at manchester.

After 28 Years

Althea Gibson Suffers Upset As Britain's Women Win Cup

Charleston News and Courier Charleston, S.C.

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Miss Truman outplayed Miss Gibson 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.

The honor of clinching Britain's first Cup championship since 1930 went to Ann Haydon, who scored her country's fourth point in the next to last match of the seven-match, two-day competition with a 6-3, 5-7, 6-3 singles victory over Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif.

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Miss Truman's victory came at the crucial point in the series. Veteran Dorothy Head Knode of Forest Hills, N.Y., had moments before equalled the competition at 2-2 with a surprise triumph over Shirley Bloomer in the opening singles.

Miss Truman's shocker made it 3-2 for Britain and Miss Haydon, only 19 and better known as a table tennis star, took it from there for the clincher in a raggedly played match with Miss Arnold.

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Taking advantage of a sunny day which drew 25,300 spectators to Wimbledon's plush green acres officials ran off all the second round and some third round singles matches in an effort to make up for lost time.

Rain and soggy courts in the last two days put the tournament behind schedule. Officials hope to clean up the third round Friday.

Americans At Wimbledon

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Malcolm Fox, Baltimore, and Jack Frost, Monterey, Calif., defeated Ernesto Aguirre and Pat Apey, Chile, 6-3, 6-4, 13-11.

John Cranston, San Marino, Calif., and Mike Green, Miami Beach, Fla., won by default over Bobby Wilson and Michael Davies, Britain.

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By FRED TUPPER

Special to The New York Times.

WIMBLEDON, England, June 26—Nick Pietrangeli, a rubber-faced Italian with a touch of genius in his tennis racquet, pried open the first crack in the all-England championship seedings today. He took Luis Ayala of Chile, No. 5 in the rankings, and bedeviled him with a subtle variety of pace and length to win, 6—4, 6—4, 6—3, before a sellout crowd on Wimbledon's Center Court.

The 24-year-old Italian, ranked third in his own country, gained the fourth round, along with Mal Anderson of Australia, Kurt Nielsen of Denmark, Ulf Schmidt and Sven Davidson of Sweden, Ramanthan Krishnan of India, Bobby Wilson of Britain and Pierre Darmon of France.

Still in there, a step behind, were the old Guard, Budge Patty of Paris and Los Angeles, the 1950 champion; Jaroslav Drobny, the 1954 champion; and 44-year-old Gardnar Mulloy of Coral Gables, Fla. Their matches for entry into the third round had been held over because of yesterday's rain.

Drobny and Mulloy won in straight sets. But Patty, after elegantly using the lob as an attacking stroke for two sets, lost the next two to Bob Perry of Los Angeles and just found his delicate touch in time to pull out the match from behind, 6—4, 6—3, 6—4, 6—4.

Four Americans

With Barry MacKay and Mike Green, there are four Americans left after three rounds; there were nine a year ago. And Mulloy faces Green tomorrow.

America lost its second seeded player in the women's singles. Janet Hopps of Seattle ranked eighth here, went on court against medical advice and was beaten, 5—7, 7—9, in the second round by Norma Marsh, a 22-year-old cherubic blonde from the outskirts of Wagga, Wagga, Australia.

Miss Hopps injured her back in the Queens Club tournament last week and has been receiving treatment since for a slipped disc. She was in obvious pain throughout and plodded on, white-faced, unable to dip down for low volleys.

Another huge crowd of 25,000 jammed the entrances to the No. 2 court as word raced round the lawns that the champion, Althea Gibson of New York, was trailing Yolanda Ramirez of Mexico, 1—3, in the first set of their third-round notch.

Althea was far too loose against the scrambling retrieving of the little Mexican. Bracing, she reached 5—4 and 0—40 on Señorita Ramirez' service and then couldn't put the ball away. Six set points Miss Gibson had and dissipated before winning by 9—7, 6—2.

Miss Truman Easy Victor

Meanwhile, the 17-year-old British comer, Christine Truman, poleaxed Jill Rook, a British county player, with the sheer power of her forehand and overhead, 6—3, 6—1.

Litle Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif., also reached round four with a notable 6-2, 8-6 victory over Frau Erica Vollmer of Germany, who long has been a stumbling block to rising youngsters in these championships.

Karol Fageros, gold lamé pants and all, reached the third round in a match continued from yesterday. Despite the protests of Silvana Lazzarino, who wanted the match changed to another court because the photographers bothered her, officials ruled it would be played, as scheduled, on No. 2 court.

The Miami Beach model, wearing white frillies over the gold pants, won the first set, 6—1; trailed, 2—5, in the second and then took five games running as the bothered Signorina Lazzarino collapsed.

Staid old Wimbledon had another shock when little Jean Forbes, the 18-year-old South African, appeared for her match with Pilar Barrill of Spain decked out in a white dress with a large red bow just below her left shoulder.

There was color suddenly everywhere today. Maria Bueno, the brilliant young Brazilian, wore a white dress with embroidered palm trees in green and brown.

Grant in Strong Bid

An unknown here, Gregory Grant of Los Angeles, made a great bid against Bob Mark, the seventh-ranking Australian.

In a furious serving match he went twenty-eight games before losing the first set, took the second at love and had a point for the third before Mark aced him. Three superb service returns gave the Australian that set and he went out to win, 15—13, 0—6, 8—6, 6—2.

The last American to leave the men's singles was Nick Carter, who used to drive a taxi in San Francisco and now lives in Majorca. He beat Rod (The Rocket) Laver, eighth-ranking Australian, in the first set, and, and one-set all, led him, 5—3, in the third with his own powerful service to come. He tired, finally, and Laver won, 4—6, 3—3, 12—10, 6—4.

In the day's highlight, Schmidt, the rangy Swede who once held the American indoor title, defeated Jacques Brichant of Belgium, who had dashed Britain's hopes yesterday with his five-set victory over the British No. 1, Michael Davies. Yesterday, Schmidt met and beat Italy's Orlando Sirola, 7—5, in the fifth set. He did the same thing to Brichant today.

Althea upset, Britain takes Wightman Trophy

WIMBLEDON, England—Althea Gibson sustained her first setback of her current European tour here Saturday, as America lost its first Wightman Cup matches with Great Britain in the last 28 years.

Miss Gibson was upset by 17-year-old Christine Truman of England 2-6, 6-4, thus missing out on a sweep of the three matches in which she competed.

While attention naturally was focused on the defeat of Althea, the British girls actually capitalized on the over-all weakness of the rest of the American team to score their triumph.

MISS GIBSON, despite the loss to Miss Truman, figured in two of the three wins recorded by the U.S. On the other hand, Dorothy Head Knode, captainof the American team, was beaten in two of her three appearances on the court.

Moreover, two other members of the five-girl squad, contributed nothing. Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Cal., lost her only singles match, and Karol Fageros of Mismi, snared the defeat handed the Americans in Friday's doubles match. Miss Fageros was paired with Mrs. Knode of Forest Hills, N.Y., in the 6-2, 6-3 loss to Miss Truman and Shirley Bloomer.

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The victory immediately started speculation about Miss Gibson's chances against the powerful six-foot English star in the upcoming Wimbledon matches.

IN ENGLAND, Miss Truman has been tabbed as the girl who will eventually replace Miss Gibson as queen of the tennis world. The hard-hitting youngster has the same type of driving game as her American counterpart, but in the past has shown none of the quick foot movements displayed by Althea.

Saturday, for example, it wasn't Miss Truman's moves that overpowered Miss Gibson as much as it was her powerful game and her precise placements of shots. After Miss Gibson took the opening set in convincing fashion, Miss Truman came back and literally took over the court.

Most experts figure that in suffering her first loss in England since 1956, Miss Gibson ran into a red hot opponent who, while improving steadily, doesn't possess the consistency to continually beat the girl from New York.

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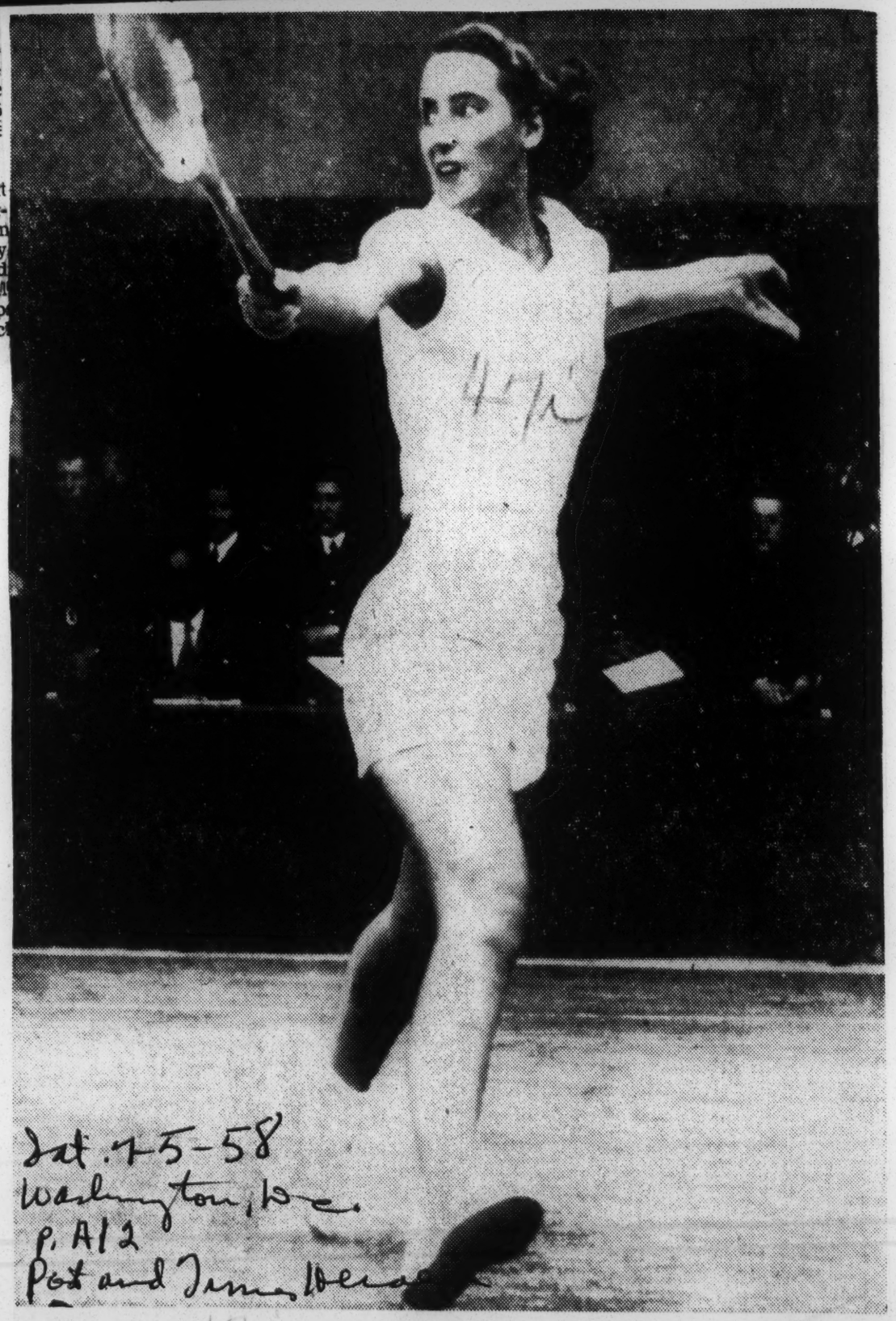
The defending singles champion will team with Maria Bueno of Brazil in the women's doubles, and with Kurt Neilsen of Denmark, in the mixed doubles. Last year, Miss Gibson won the women's crown in partnership with Darlene Hard of Montebello, Cal., and lost out in the finals of the mixed doubles with Neale Fraser of Australia.

Miss Hard, ranked fourth in the United States, is not entered at Wimbledon this year. The entry list for the tournament, which gets under way June 23, was released last Saturday.

Miss Bueno bowed to Miss Gibson in the finals of the women's singles at Manchester England, last week, where Althea emerged as winner of the Northern England title for the second straight year.



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Althea Learns You Can't Put Titles In The Bank

By SAM LACY

You cannot put glamour and prestige in the bank.

So Althea Gibson has "retired" from bigtime tennis.

The one-time Harlem urchin last week accomplished what only two other women in history have been able to do. She completed her second consecutive double triumph by annexing the 1958 Wimbledon and U.S. singles championships.

BEFORE Miss Gibson turned the trick in 1957-58, only Helen Wills, in 1930-31, and Maureen Connolly, in 1951-52, had succeeded in making the "grand slam" of distaff tennis.

Today, she is driven into retirement — which she says will be for one year — by two compelling factors, both of which spell money.

MISS GIBSON plans to capitalize on her potential as a singer, accepting night club dates, TV and radio personal appearances and making records.

At the same time, Althea figures to be available for an offer to tour professionally with Jack Kramer's traveling racquet club.

Both courses promise money to the world's queen of the net.

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AT 31, otherwise unemployed and hard put to keep up her normal living expenses, Miss Gibson has to look ahead and make plans.

Right now, Miss Gibson gets along on "expenses" paid her to make the various tournaments, living out of a suitcase and a three-year-old Chevrolet.

She's not starving as an amateur. There are always tournaments to keep her going, but they don't buy homes or create bank accounts.

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MOREOVER, Miss Gibson realizes that both her dreams —of a singing career and writing a book that will sell —are definite gambles.

The only place she can be sure of ringing the bell at once is on the night club circuit. And that's where she's headed.

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TODAY, with no further worlds to conquer with the racquet, her departure from the tournament circuit is a most logical move.

At the same time, having proved she can entertain —via several television performances and a hot-selling album — it is not difficult to understand why she's contemplating a singing career.

As any estute person in business will attest, the time for selling is when the product is at top value and the market is in its greatest demand.

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TODAY, Althea is hot copy in the field of entertainment. She's hot because she's unique: a tennis champion-singer.

And she's hot because she's good.

Tomorrow, Miss Gibson may not be in great demand.

After the novelty wears off, her voice may not stand the test of holding a frivolous public.

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TOMORROW, too, Althea may not be the ruling queen of the courts.

For looking over her shoulder, she sees a horde of rapidly-improving challengers closing on her, most of them under 25 years of age and several still in their 'teens.

FOR INSTANCE, Christine Truman, the British girl who upset Althea in the famed Wightman Cup matches, is just 17.

Lorraine Coghlan of Australia, who teamed with Bob Howe to thwart Miss Gibson in the mixed doubles final at Wimbledon in July, is another. She is 19.

JANET HOPPS of Seattle, winner over Althea in South America this spring, is 20 years old.

Angela Mortimer, who met Miss Gibson in the Wimbledon finals, is 25, and it should be remembered that the British girl still holds a 3-2 edge in the five matches played between them.

OTHERS THREATENING to displace Althea the moment she falters are:

Ann Haydon (19), Shirley Bloomer (23) and Ann Shilcock (23), of England; Margaret Hellyer (18), of Australia; Mario Bueno (19) of Brazil, who was Miss Gibson's doubles partner in both the British and American championships and appeared highly promising at Forest Hills.

Yola Ramirez (21), and Rosa Maria Reyes (23), of Mexico; Edda Buding (17), of Germany; Mimi Arnold (18), and Karol Fageros (24, of Redwood City, Cal., and Miami, respectively.

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MOST DANGEROUS of the group, however, is Darlene Hard, of Montebello, Cal.

Miss Hard did not make Wimbledon this year after being a finalist there last year and sharing the doubles crown with Althea, but she beat the champ for the U.S. doubles title last month then won the first set from Miss Gibson in their title match at Forest Hills.

Darlene is just 19, thank you.

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THAT IS WHY Althea remains receptive to any bid which may be forthcoming from Kramer.

Jacks, it seems, is not averse to the idea.

Last Saturday, he queried former champion Pauline Betz as to whether she might be interested in a pro tour with Miss Gibson. Pauline previously made a tour with Gussie Moran.

GIBSON MADE NET FAVORITE

LONDON, June 12 (AP)—Althea Gibson of New York today was made a 2 to 1 favorite to retain the women's singles title at the Wimbledon tennis championships.

A Surrey bookmaker quoted the odds against Brazil's 18-year-old Maria Bueno as 3-1. The Wimbledon championship will be played from June 23 to July 5.

Ashley Cooper and Mal Anderson, both of Australia were made joint favorites for the men's title at 3-1.

DARLENE HARD
Pretty Californian is probably most dangerous of all Gibson threats.

ALTHEA GIBSON
In role of singer

MIMI ARNOLD
18-year-old is one numerous young challengers to reign of Miss Gibson.

ALTHEA GIBSON

From Harlem slums to Forest Hills fame!

In this week's Saturday Evening Post, tennis champion Althea Gibson tells the story of her life few people know!

You'll find out about her "wild" early life as a Harlem delinquent . . . learn how she survived battles, beatings and brawls as a child!

You'll read the behind-the-scenes facts about her struggle to break into "white" tennis . . . and discover how she almost destroyed the chances that were given her!

And you'll get her frank opinion of the players and people she has met in her world-wide travels — all in "I Wanted to be Somebody" by Althea Gibson.

Also—**Can Nasser Take It All?** What are his real motives? Read a vital behind-the-scenes report on the controversial new "leader" in the Middle East!

IN ALL, *7 articles, 4 stories, 2 serials, many cartoons and exciting photographs.*

Althea And Tenn.

We note in passing: Miss Althea Gibson won the world's women's singles tennis championship for the second straight year.

This proves she won her crown through no fluke or accident.

Winning two years straight indicates she is in fact the world's best woman tennis player.

We'd like to see Althea as athletic coach for women at Morgan or Howard or Fisk, or Virginia or N. C. State.

Mentioning the "world's best" reminds us that the nation's best women athletes are produced by little Tennessee State College in Nashville.

Proof: 10 of the 21 members of the women's U.S. Track Team chosen to compete with Russians this summer are Tennessee State students.

For 10 years Morgan has been the most widely known colored college in track and field. Foreigners know Tuskegee has heretofore produced best women athletes. Now, however, it's Tennessee State supplanting Tuskegee.

Althea Gibson Will Not Turn Pro, She Says

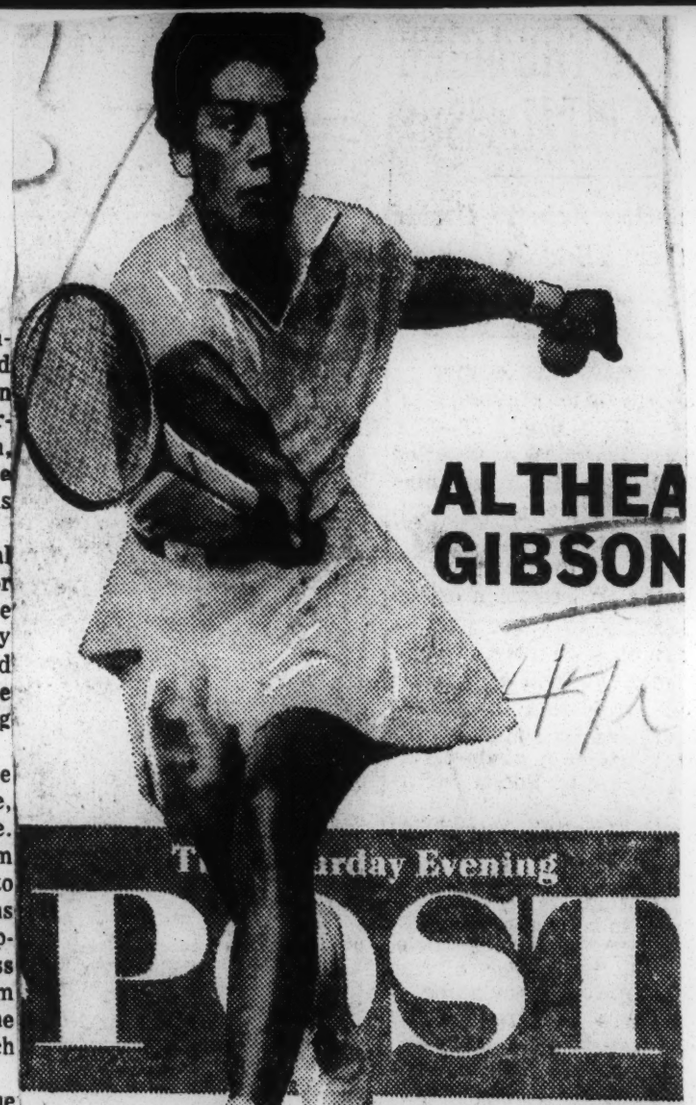
NEW YORK — Tennis champion Althea Gibson, who returned here with her second Wimbledon title, announced on the Knickerbocker Beer sponsored program, "The Hall of Fame," that she does not plan to turn pro at this time.

Interviewed at the International Airport by program commentator Billy Rowe, Miss Gibson told the WOV radio audience that contrary to reports she has not been asked or offered any money to enter the pro circles by those controlling the circuit.

Said she, "My present plans are to defend my titles here. You see, to turn pro involves many people. As a player, I can't just say I'm going to turn pro. There has to be some negotiations and plans made and I have not been approached by anyone. This business of me being offered quite a sum and have plans of deserting the amateur ranks is just so much talk."

In regards to her entering the entertainment ranks as a singer, Miss Gibson told Rowe that wherein she enjoys singing and hopes to become a good one at the moment, it would have to be fitted in as an aside to her tennis playing.

She further stated that the tournament was very successful despite the fact that she lost one of her matches. "The weather was very bad. In fact it was a rainy Wimbledon and a player couldn't get into the proper groove due to the coldness and the stopping and starting of matches and it all took a lot out of a player." Ending the Knickerbocker interview, Althea stated that retaining her title was just as thrilling as winning it in 1957.



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"Not many people know the real story of my life. I'm going to try to put it down here. If you get to thinking it isn't all pretty, remember I never said it was!"

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And you'll get her frank, no-words-barred opinions of many of the players and people she has met in her world-wide travels! You won't want to miss "I Wanted to be Somebody" by Althea Gibson. (See Althea on the Ed Sullivan Show, Sunday, August 24, Channel 2).

Althea's serve overpowers foe to take Surrey title

SURBITON, England — Althea Gibson enjoyed what was described as her best day of tennis on British soil, here Saturday as she romped to victory in the finals of the Surrey lawn tennis tournament.

Miss Gibson, priming for defense of her Wimbledon title, overpowered Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Cal., 6-1, 6-0, needing only 30 minutes to do it. The victory marked a successful defense of the crown she won here last year.

The 30-year-old Harlem star was devastating as she rallied from loss of her first service, to completely crush her 19-year-old opponent.

After dropping the first game, due to her own negligence in two double faults, Miss Gibson ran out the next 12 games with a smashing exhibition that left the British spectators gasping. Many in the crowd as well as newspapermen present agreed they had never seen Althea in better form.

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THE TWO Wightman Cup members made it an all-American final for the women's title by scoring two victories each on Friday.

Miss Gibson drubbed Rose Deloford, 6-2, 6-2, and then downed Sheila Armstrong, 6-3, 6-1. Both Mrs. Deloford and Miss Armstrong are from Great Britain. The latter is a reserve member of the British Wightman Cup team.

Miss Arnold entered the finals via wins over Thelma Lister and Ann Shilcock, both of England.

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THE NEED for playing out the quarter-finals and semi-finals on the same day (Friday) had been brought about by an all-day rain on Thursday.

On Wednesday, Miss Gibson won her way into the quarter-final roud by whipping Valerie White of Great Britian. 6-2, 6-3.

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ALTHEA HAD BEEN a day behind other contestants getting into action because she had filled a singing engagement on the Ed Sullivan television show the previous Sunday night. The result was that she did not arrive at Surbiton until early Tuesday morning.

The program called for her appearance on the court a few hours after her arrival from New York. But it did not take her long to get into the swing of things.

After being played even, 2-2, at the outset of her initial match with Gertie Preston, Miss Gibson took seven straight games before the British housewife could again hold her service. The match ended, 6-2, 6-1, in Althea's favor.

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MISS GIBSON left here shortly after her Saturday triumph for Manchester, where she opens defense of her Northern England crown won there last year.

She will play in the Queens Club tourney as the final tune-up for Wimbledon.

ALTHEA GIBSON

BOTH WIN EASILY IN BRITISH TENNIS

Althea Gibson, Mimi Arnold Reach Final in Singles—Becker, Davies Score

SURBITON, England, May 30 (UPI)—Althea Gibson and Mimi Arnold, rapidly rounding into top form for next month's Wimbledon championships, set up an all-American women's singles final in the Surrey lawn tennis championships today by sweeping to four straight-set victories.

Miss Gibson of New York, the 1957 Wimbledon champion, romped to a 6-2, 6-2 decision over Rosemary Deloford of Warwickshire, in the quarter-final round and then won just as easily in the semi-finals, 6—3, 6—1, from Sheila Armstrong of Manchester.

Miss Arnold, of Redwood City, Calif., trounced Thelma Lister in the quarter-finals, 6—2, 6—0. In the afternoon she defeated a British Wightman Cup player, Anne Shilcock, 6—4, 7—5.

An all-British final in men's singles was created by the victories today by Mike Davies, Britain's top-ranked player, and a Davis Cup player, Roger Becker.

Davies gained the final round with a 6-3, 6-2 victory over Iyo Pimentel of Venezuela, dominating the match with his power. Earlier in the day, Pimentel had won his quarter-final match from Norman Kitovitz of London, 6—1, 6—2. Becker moved to the semi-finals by downing Reg Bennett, 6—2, 6—4.

Aussie Women Advance

PARIS, May 30 (UPI)—The Australian team of Mrs. Thelma Long and Mrs. Mary Hawton and the Mexican team of Rosa Maria Reyes and Yola Ramirez gained the final round of women's doubles in the French hard-court tennis championship today. Other scheduled matches were washed out by rain.

Mrs. Long and Mrs. Hawton played top-flight tennis in winning their semi-final from Shirley Bloomer and Ann Haydon of England, 2—6, 6—4, 6—4, in a match interrupted for four hours by rain during the second set.

Señoritas Reyes and Ramirez defeated Fay Muller and Lorraine Coghlan of Australia, 6—4, 6—2.

Play was started but halted in both semi-finals of men's doubles. Bob Howe of Australia and Abe Segal of South Africa were leading Nicola Pietrangeli and Orlando Sirola of Italy, 8—7, and Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser of Australia were tied with Bob Wilson and Allan Mills of Britain, 5—5, when rain intervened.

In a quarter-final match of mixed doubles, Miss Bloomer and Pietrangeli defeated Señorita Reyes and Pierre Darmon of France, 6—2, 6—2.

The final round of men's singles between Mervyn Rose of Australia and Luis Ayala of Chile is scheduled tomorrow.

Garrido Quits Match

SUTTON COLDFIELD, England, May 30 (UPI)—Cuba's Orlando Garrido walked out on his quarter-final match of the Sutton Coldfield hard-courts tennis tournament today, telling his opponent, Lew Gerrard of New ealand, "You win. I cannot play on this court." Gerrard was leading, 6—1, 4—2.

Garrido had complained of the bounce of the ball, which sometimes was as low as three inches. He broke a racquet while playing a normal backhand volley in the first set.

Althea Wins

Surbiton, England - (ANP) - U.S. and Wimbledon tennis ace, Althea Gibson, though making a bad start, came on strongly to win matches last week in the Surrey lawn tennis championship, a tuneup for the Wightman Cup contest at Wimbledon.

Walking onto the court a few hours after arriving in England, Miss Gibson brushed aside England's Gertie Preston by scores of 6-2, 6-1. She lost the first two games before she found her form, but then rattled off the next seven in championship style.

ALTHEA GIBSON

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Teen-Ager Tips Althea Gibson

Commercial Appeal

Big Christine Truman Scores Decisive Net Victory

MRS. KNODE SURPRISES

Jun. 6-15-58

By STERLING SLAPPEY
Associated Press Sports Writer

WIMBLEDON, England, June 14.—Christine Truman, a 17-year-old Amazonian schoolgirl, overpowered tennis queen Althea Gibson in a startling upset Saturday as Britain smashed America's 28-year hold on the Wightman Cup, four matches to three.

Memphis, Tenn

The honor of clinching Britain's first cup championship since 1930 went to Ann Haydon, who scored her country's fourth point in the next to last match of the seven-match, two-day competition with a 6-3, 5-7, 6-3 singles victory over Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif.

Big Girl Brilliant

The United States got its last point in a meaningless, concluding doubles match as Miss Gibson and Janet Hopps of Seattle defeated Ann Shilcock and Pa Ward, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3.

But the six-foot, 170-pound Miss Truman, who swept both her singles assignments and shared in a third point in doubles, triggered the upset.

Following up her brilliant play in Friday's opening program, Miss Truman shrugged off a first set loss and simply overwhelmed Miss Gibson—the defending Wimbledon and United States champion—2-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Her victory came at the crucial point in the series. Veteran Dorothy Head Knode of Forest Hills, N. Y., had moments before squared the competition at 2-2 with a surprise triumph over Shirley Bloomer in the opening singles.

Christine's shocker made it 3-2 for Britain and Miss Haydon, only 19 and better known as a table tennis star, took it from there for the clincher in a raggedly-played match with Miss Arnold.

Even the clinching victory was an anticlimax for the crowd of 5,000, which roared throughout the thrilling Truman-Gibson duel.

First Set Easy

Althea, who scored America's only first day point with a 6-3, 6-4 decision over Miss Bloomer, swept through the first set with hardly any effort. In the second set, Miss Truman abandoned the baseline tactics that worked so well in her singles and doubles matches Friday and began rushing the net.

She broke Miss Gibson's service in the second game, held her own in the first and third and, leading 3-0, had the tall, gangling ace from New York's Harlem on the defensive.

In the third set, Christine broke Althea's service in the fifth game for a 3-2 lead but lost her serve in the sixth. Tied at 4-4, the powerful English girl scored the key break in the ninth game, then beat Miss Gibson with a sizzling passing shot in the tenth after double faulting at her first match point.

The United States still holds a tidy edge, 25-5, in the two-nation series which began in 1923. Britain's other victories were in 1924, 1925, 1928 and 1930.

BIG UPSETTER—Christine Truman, 6-foot British girl, scored a victory over Althea Gibson in the Wightman Cup tennis matches, helping her team to a triumph over the Americans. —UPI Telephot

Gibson and Truman Win at Wimbledon

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Seven of 12 U.S. Girls Survive; Bueno Romps

WIMBLEDON, England (AP)—Althea Gibson opened defense of her Wimbledon tennis championship Tuesday by breezing past Australian Mary Hellyer as most of the favorites advanced.

Maria Bueno of Brazil and Christine Truman of England, teen-agers ranked with the 30-year-old Harlem girl as the great powers of women's tennis, also won easily on another showery day. Seven of the 12 U.S. girls survived.

Karol Fageros

With the exception of a few first-round men's matches, postponed from Monday's rainy opener, the program on the second day of the 72nd Wimbledon championships was given over mostly to women's singles. Several of the players drew first-round byes and actually started play in the second round. There also was a smattering of men's doubles matches.

Gibson, top-seeded player who was beaten by Truman in Wightman Cup play, eliminated Hellyer with the loss of only two games 6-0, 6-2 in a second-round match.

The 17-year-old Truman, who led Britain to its first Wightman victory since 1930, blasted Mrs. J. L. Deloford 6-0, 6-1 in another second-round match.

Bueno, 18, needed only 30 minutes to dispose of England's Mrs. Hazel Cheadle 6-1, 6-2 in the first round.

In men's competition where America's only real hope is Barry MacKay of Dayton, Ohio, the only important result was a victory for Mervyn Rose, the scowling Australian.

Rose, seeded third, ousted Wladyslaw Skonecki, a Pole who fled to Britain and then fled back to Poland, 6-3, 6-4, 6-1.

Only Karol Fageros of Miami, Fla. among the seeded players, had any real trouble. By the luck of the draw, she was pitted against Sally Moore, a 17-year-old budding star from Bakersfield, Calif.

Fageros won a grim baseline duel in the first set and then broke through Moore late in the second set for her 6-3, 7-5 victory.

WOMEN'S SINGLES
First Round

Mrs. Dorothy Head Knode, New York, defeated Mrs. V. A. Roberts, Britain, 7-5, 6-2.

Sonia Cox, New Zealand, defeated Mrs. Wilma Smith, Berkeley, Calif., 6-4, 7-5.

Sheila Armstrong, Britain, defeated Isabel Troccole, New York, 6-1, 9-7.

Mrs. Margaret DuPont, Wilmington, Del. defeated Mrs. Pearl Panton, Britain, 6-3, 6-0.

Karol Fageros, Miami, Fla., defeated Sally Moore, Bakersfield, Calif., 6-3, 7-5.

Ruia Morrison, New Zealand, defeated Louise Snow, Ventura, Calif., 11-9, 6-3.

Margaret Varner, El Paso, Tex. defeated Ilse Buding, 7-5, 6-4.

Second Round

Althea Gibson, New York, defeated Mary Hellyer, Australia, 6-0, 6-2.

Mimi Arnold, Redwood City, Calif., defeated Pat Wheeler, Britain, 2-6, 6-3, 6-0.

Lorraine Coghlan, Australia, defeated Mrs. Nick Carter, San Francisco, 6-0, 6-3.

Janet Hopps, Seattle, defeated Mrs. Jean Bostock, Britain, 6-3, 6-3.

MEN'S DOUBLES
First Round

Bob Perry, Los Angeles, and Warren Woodcock, Australia, defeated Kamilo Keretic and Sima Nikolic, Yugoslavia, 6-2, 6-3, 6-3.

Barry MacKay, Dayton, Ohio and Mervyn Rose, Australia, defeated L. A. Gerrard and Peter Nicolls, New Zealand, 8-6, 6-4, 6-0.

Gardnar Mulloy, Coral Gables, Fla. and Budge Patty, Los Angeles and Paris, defeated Wilhelm Bungert and Peter Scholl, Germany, 8-6, 9-7, 6-4.

Althea Off But Captures Victory

By STERLING SLAPPEY
Associated Press Sports Writer

WIMBLEDON, Eng. (AP)—Defending champion Althea Gibson was far off form Thursday but still had more than enough to defeat Mexico's Yolande Ramirez in the Wimbledon Tennis championships.

Atlanta

The tall, 30-year-old New Yorker finally began clicking in the second set as she overcame the tiny, 23-year old Mexican senorita, 9-7, 6-2, and gained the fourth round of singles.

Miss Gibson's victory was one of five scored by Americans in singles play Thursday. Four other Yanks were eliminated, including pain-wracked Janet Hopps of Seattle.

This cut Uncle Sam's fast dwindling tennis forces to four men and four women. America's main hopes for titles here rest with the women. Only Barry MacKay, blistered racket hand and all, is rated a slight possibility to break through the Australians and Europeans in men's play.

Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif., Karol Fageros of Miami, Fla., and veterans Budge Patty and Gardnar Mulloy were the other American winners Thursday. Beaten in addition to Miss Hopps, who was seeded seventh, were Bob Perry and Gregory Grant of Los Angeles, and Nick Carter of San Francisco. The male losses were expected.

Miss Hopps and Chile's Luis Ayala were the only seeded players to lose Thursday and the third so far in the tournament. Third-seeded Dorothy Head Knode of New York was eliminated Wednesday.

Australia's high - ranking Mal Anderson and Neale Fraser, Sweden's Sven Davidson, and Denmark's Kurt Nielsen, all had fairly easy victories Thursday. Top-seeded Ashley Cooper of Australia didn't play.

Miss Hopps has a slipped disc but played despite the injury. She bowed to Norma Marsh, a second-rate Australian player, 7-5, 9-7, in the second round. After the match she defaulted from doubles.

Patty, 34, eliminated Perry, 25, a fellow Californian, in a hard-fought five setter, 6-4, 6-3, 3-6, 4-5, 6-4. Mulloy, 44, of Coral Gables, Fla., coasted to a 6-2, 6-4, 6-3 victory over South African John Hurry. Both were second round matches. They will play third rounders Friday along with MacKay who was idle Thursday.

Two young Australians knocked out Carter and Grnat in second round matches. Rod Laver beat Carter, 4-6, 6-3, 12-10, 6-4. Bob Mark ousted Grant, 15-13, 0-6, 3-6, 6-2.

Miss Arnold joined Miss Gibson in the fourth round by downing Erika Vollmer of West Germany, 6-2, 8-6.

Miss Fageros defeated Italy's Silvano Lazzarino in the second round, 6-1, 7-5. The golden girl from Miami attracted the fans and the photographers by wearing the gold panties which had been tabooed by Wimbledon officials. She camouflaged them by wearing white lace panties over them.

While the American girls had a measure of difficulty in winning, Britain's 17-year - old Christine Truman turned in a workmanlike job in defeating another English girl, Jill Rook, 6-3, 6-1 in the third round.

Ayala, fifth-seeded, was upset by Italy's Nicola Piertrangeli, 6-4, 6-4, 6-3.

Taking advantage of a sunny day which drew 25,300 spectators to Wimbledon's plush green acres, officials ran off all the second round and some third round singles matches in an effort to make up for lost time.

Rain and soggy courts in the last two days put the tournament behind schedule. Officials hope to clean up the third round Friday.

WIMBLEDON, Eng. (AP)—Results of Thursday's matches involving Americans in the Wimbledon tennis championships:

MEN'S SINGLES
Second Round

Gardnar Mulloy, Coral Gables, Fla., defeated John Hurry, South Africa, 6-2, 6-4 6-3.

Budge Patty, Los Angeles and Paris defeated Bob Perry, Los Angeles, 6-4, 6-3 3-6, 4-6, 6-4.

Rod Laver, Australia, defeated Nicl Carter, San Francisco, 4-6, 6-3, 12-10, 6-4.

Bob Mark, Australia, 4-6, 6-3, 12-10, 6-4.

Grant, Los Angeles, 15-13, 0-6, 8-6, 6-2.

WOMEN'S SINGLES
Second Round

Norma Marsh, Austrialia, defeated Janet Hopps, Seattle, 7-5, 9-7.

Karol Fageros, Miami, Fla., defeated Silvano Lazzarino, Italy, 6-1, 7-5.

Third Round

Althea Gibson, New York, defeated Yolande Ramirez, Mexico, 9-7, 6-2.

Mimi Arnold, Redwood City, RCalif., defeated Mrs. Erika Vollmer, West Germany, 6-2, 8-6.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES
First Round

Mrs. Rita Deloford and Mrs. Rosemary Woodgate, Britain, defeated Mrs. Nick Carter, San Francisco,' and Carmen Ibarra, Spain, 6-4, 7-5.

Second Round

Karol Fageros, Miami, Fla., and Mrs. Dorothy Head Knode, New York, defeated Mrs. I. J. Warwisk and S. E. Waters, Britain, 6-4, 6-2.

Althea Gibson, New York, and Maria Bueno, Brazil, defeated Margot Dittmeyer and Mrs. Erika Vollmer, Germany, 6-2, 6-2.

MEN'S DOUBLES
First Round

Malcolm Fox, Baltimore, and Jack Frost, Monterey, Calif., defeated Ernesto Aguirre and Pat Apey, Chile, 6-3, 6-4, 13-11.

John Cranston, San Marino, Calif., and Mike Green, Miami Beach, Fla., won by default over Bobby Wilson and Michael Davies, Britain.

Tom Freiberg, Los Angeles, and D. W. Junta, New York, defeated Uday Kumar, India, and Ivo Ribiero, Brazil 6-3, 6-2.

MISS GIBSON KEEPS WIMBLEDON TITLE

New York Herald Tribune
New York, N.Y.

New York Tennis Star Also Shares Doubles Laurels

Sun 7-6-58

Althea Gibson of New York retained her Wimbledon singles title yesterday by defeating Angela Mortimer of England, 8—6, 6—2. Miss Gibson and Maria Bueno of Brazil beat Margaret Varner and Mrs. Margeret Osborne du Pont, United States, 6—3, 7—5, for the women's doubles crown.

Sven Davidson and Ulf Schmidt of Sweden upset Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser of Australia, 6—4, 6—4, 8—6, in the men's doubles final.

Other major sports news:

HORSE RACING

Idun, $2.90, captured the $28,300 Mother Goose Stakes by three lengths as the Belmont Park meeting closed. Lady Be Good won the $24,650 Colleen Stakes at Monmouth Park.

ROWING

Harvard's lightweight crew won the Thames Challenge Cup at Henley. Russia took the Grand Challenge Cup for heavyweights and the double sculls, while Stuart Mackenzie of Australia captured the Diamond Sculls.

GOLF

Peter Thomson beat Dave Thomas, 139 to 143, in the playoff for the British open title.

Miss Gibson Choice to Retain Title

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72d Tournament Starts Tomorrow

WIMBLEDON, England, June 21 (AP).—The Wimbledon tennis championships open Monday at the ivy covered All-England Club with largely a new cast of players.

The climax of the 72nd Wimbledon—the men's singles championship round — will be on American Independence Day but there are few if any indications that America will have anything to be happy about tennis wise on that day.

Australians Favored

The soprt that American men once dominated is now mostly in the hands of Australians. And not even the big, bear-like grip of Barry MacKay, a genial giant from Dayton, Ohio, is expected to bring the Wimbledon crown back to the United States.

Tennis is the sport which most closely follows form. The form sheets say emphatically that one of these Australians will win—Ashley Cooper, Mal Anderson, Mervin Rose or Neale Fraser.

The form sheet, however, indicates something better for the United States in women's play.

Althea Gibson, of New York, the defending champion, is widely favored to retain the women's singles crown. The women's final is scheduled for July 5.

However, she has lost about a half dozen matches this year.

— most recently to Britain's Christine Truman, who is seeded second behind Miss Gibson.

Long U. S. String

If Miss Gibson fails to win a streak of Wimbledon victories for American women stretching all the way back to 1938 will be broken.

American men lost their tight grip on Wimbledon singles after Dick Savitt's victory in 1951. Vic Seixas managed a victory in 1953 and Tony Trabert in 1955. But in 1952, 1954 1956 and 1957 the title went elsewhere.

Lew Hoad won the last two championships. He, Ken Rosewall and Trabert are now professionals. Seixas is finished with big tournaments.

Only three ex-Wimbledon men's singles winners will play this year—Jaroslav Drobny, the 1954 champion; Budge Patty, the 1950 winner and Jean Borotra, "the Bounding Basque" who won in 1924 and 1926. Borotra will play in doubles only.

Borotra is the last great athlete of the 1920's—the golden age of sports—who still actively plays his game.

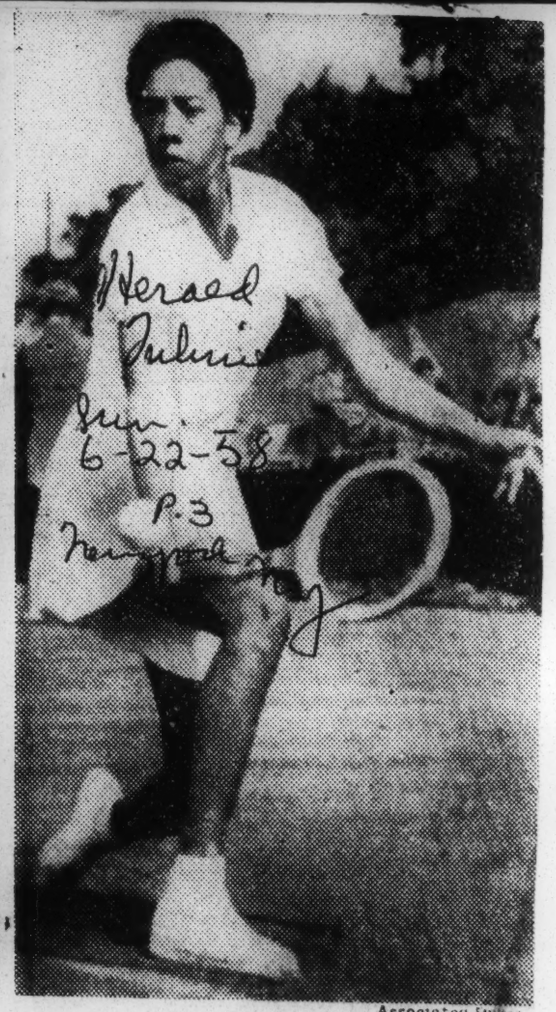
There are even fewer old timers among the women. Only Miss Gibson and Mrs. Margaret Osborn du Pont, of Wilmington, Del., will play on the courts where they won titles. The Osborn year was 1948.

Singles seeds this year are:

Men—1, Cooper, Australia; 2, Anderson, Australia; 3, Rose, Australia; 4, Fraser, Australia; 5, Louis Ayala, Chile; 6, Kurt Nielsen, Denmark; 7, Sven Davidson, Sweden; 8, MacKay.

Women—1, Miss Gibson; 2, Miss Truman; 3, Mrs. Dorothy Knode, Forest Hills, N. Y.; 4, Mana Bueno, Brazil; 5, Shirley Bloomer, Britain; 6, Mrs. Zsuzsa Koermoeczy, Hungary; 7, Janet Hopps, Seattle; 8, Karol Fageros Miami.

Herald Tribune photo by Bob Noble



Associated Press

LEADING AMERICA'S HOPES—Barry MacKay and Althea Gibson are top-seeded United States players in Wimbledon tourney which begins tomorrow. Miss Gibson, defending champion, is favored to retain her title despite recent setbacks.

Wimbledon Tennis

Althea Gibson Wins After Rugged Match

WIMBLEDON, Eng. (AP)—Defending champion Althea Gibson was far off form Thursday but still had more than enough to defeat Mexico's Yolande Ramirez in the Wimbledon Tennis championships.

The tall, 30-year-old New Yorker finally began ~~challenging~~ the second set as she overcame the tiny, 23-year old Mexican senorita, 9-7, 6-2, and gained the fourth round of singles.

Four Yanks Lost.

Miss Gibson's victory was one of five scored by Americans in singles play Thursday. Four other Yanks were eliminated, including pain-wracked Janet Hopps of Seattle.

This cut Uncle Sam's fast dwindling tennis forces to four men and four women. America's main hopes for titles here rest with the women. Only Barry MacKay, blistered racket hand and all, is rated a slight possibility to break through the Australians and Europeans in men's play.

Karol Wins.

Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif., Karol Fageros of Miami, Fla., and veterans Budge Patty and Gardner Mulloy were the other American winners Thursday. Beaten in addition to Miss Hopps, who was seeded seventh, were Bob Perry and Gregory Grant of Loslangeles and Nick Carter of San Francisco. The male losses were expected.

Miss Hopps and Chile's Luis Ayala were the only seeded players to lose Thursday and the third so far in the tournament. Third-seeded Dorothy Head Knode of New York was eliminated Wednesday.

Australia's high - ranking Mal Anderson and Neale Fraser, Sweden's Sven Davidson, and Denmark's Kurt Nielsen; all had fairly easy victories Thursday. Top-seeded Ashley Cooper of Australia did't play.

Miss Hopps has a slipped disc but played despite the injury. She bowed to Norma Marsh, a second-rate Australian player, 7-5, 9-7, in the second round. After the match she defaulted from doubles.

Patty Beats Perry.

Patty, 34, eliminated Perry, 25 a fellow Californian, in a hard fought five setter, 6-4, 6-3, 3-6, 4-[illegible] 6-4. Mulloy, 44, of Coral Gables Fla., coasted to a 6-2, 6-4, 6-3 victory over South African John Hurry. Both were second round matches. They will play third rounders Friday along with MacKay who was idle Thursday.

MISS GIBSON UPSET

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Miss Truman Defeats U. S. Ace as British Win Wightman Cup

By FRED TUPPER

Special to The New York Times.

WIMBLEDON, England, June 14—It had to happen, sooner or later. After a twenty-eight-year famine, Britain won the Wightman Cup tennis trophy today, 4 to 3, before a wildly excited crowd that watched the matches on the historic No. 1 court at Wimbledon.

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It had to happen, perhaps. But the way it happened was hardly credible to followers of world tennis form.

The amazing 17-year-old Christine Truman came from behind to trounce Althea Gibson, the Wimbledon and American champion, 2—6, 6—3, 6—4, after the team score had been tied at 2-all. Then Ann Haydon, a 19-year-old left-hander, had reached three world table-tennis finals, outlasted little Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif., 6—3, 5—7, 6—3, to clinch the cup.

Earlier, Mrs. Dorothy Head Knode of Forest Hills, Queens, America's No. 2 player here, had beaten Shirley Bloomer, England's No. 1, 6—4, 6—2. Later, when the cup winner had been decided and the pressure was off, Miss Gibson paired with Janet Hopps of Seattle, Wash., to defeat Ann Shilock and Pat Ward, 6—4, 3—6, 6—3.

String of 21 Victories Ends

It was the first British victory in the competition since 1930. America had won twenty-one times running, mostly by lopsided scores.

The Duchess of Kent went onto the court to present the trophy to the British captain, Mrs. Mary Halford, as the applause rolled down into this ivied amphittheatre.

"Too much Christine," said the American captain, Mrs. Margaret Osborne duPont, after the matches. "That's the one we expected to win," she added, alluding to Miss Truman's victory over Miss Gibson.

It was Christine who made the difference. The six-foot schoolgirl was the architect of three of the four British triumphs, beating Mrs. Knode in singles and pairing with Miss Bloomer to win from Mrs. Knode and Miami's glamour girl, Karol Fageros, in doubles yesterday.

Those victories were possible, even expected. But it was incomprehensible that she should have a chance against Miss Gibson, conceded to be the world's best. They had met three times before; Althea had won all three—at Beckenham, Kent; in the Wimbledon semi-finals last year and in the Wightman Cup matches at Sewickley, Pa., in 1957.

U. S. Victory Hopes Rise

Christine won the first two games today and then the New Yorker, right on top of her big game, rolled off six in a row for the first set with such consummate ease that the match and cup seemed assured for the United States.

But much had changed in Miss Truman's game over the winter. The blazing forehand, on which she made her reputation, is still there—and steadier. Her sliced backhand is alomst impregnable and she has added pace to her service and speed to her all-court game through daily bouts of weight-lifting and sprints. In the second set, she was ready.

She won three games she might well have lost, pasted forehand drives firmly down the line to break Miss Gibson for 5—1, dropped two games because of uncertainty and then exploded forehand drives all over the court to take the set.

The crowd by now was almost hysterical. A horde of school children, here to cheer their idol, was squealing and tossing straw hats in the air, and the umpire had to call for order.

Miss Truman was as stoical as ever, at tending strictly to the business of opening a hole down the lines for her forehand and chipping her reliable backhand dead to Althea's feet as she pounded up to the barrier. She broke Miss Gibson to lead 3-2 as Althea double-faulted, then foot-faulted.

Christine lost the next game and broke through again at 5—4 with two forehands riveted into the corners. A smash gave her two chances for the match; she double-faulted on the first and then hammered a smash cross court that Althea volleyed weakly off her shoe tops into the alley. There was pandemonium in the stands.

Miss Arnold Shows Courage

It all depended, then, on the Haydon-Arnold match. Ann is a left-hander who chops off both wings and covers the net like an angry octupus. Little Mimi, trying to emulate her mother's feat (Mrs. Ethel Arnold defeated Kay Stammers in three sets iin the 1935 Wightman Cup match) has little equipment, but a big heart.

This was a ding-dong baseline struggle for nearly two hours ending only when Miss Haydon charged up the net to cut off the volleys. At 3-all in the last set she abandoned the long rallies at baseline, most of which she had been losing, and ventured forward for all or nothing. So quick are her reflexes that she always had the winner in the clutch, taking three games in a row for the clincher.

U. S. Loses First Time In 28 Years

Washington Post + Herald
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WIMBLEDON, England, June 14 (AP)—Christine Truman, a 17-year-old Amazonian schoolgirl, overpowered tennis queen Althea Gibson in a startling upset today as Britain smashed America's 28-year hold on the Wightman Cup, four matches to three.

The honor of clinching Britain's first cup championship since 1930 went to Ann Haydon, who scored her country's fourth point in the next to last match of the seven-match, two-day competition with a 6—3, 5—7, 6—3 singles victory over Mimi Arnold of Redwodo City, Calif.

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The U. S. got its last point in a meaningless, concluding doubles match as Miss Gibson and Janet Hopps of Seattle defeated Ann Shilcock and Pat Ward, 6—4, 3—6, 6—3.

But the six-foot, 170-pound Miss Truman, who swept both her singles assignments and shared in a third point in doubles, triggered the upset.

Dorothy Knode Wins

Washington D.C.

Following up her brilliant play in yesterday's opening program, Miss Truman shrugged off a first set loss and simply overwhelmed Miss Gibson — the defending Wimbledon and U. S. champion—2—6, 6—3, 6—4.

Her victory came at the crucial point oin the series. Veteran Dorothy Head Knode of Forest Hills, N. Y., had moments before squared the competition at 2-2 with a surprise triumph over Shirley Bloomer in the opening singles today.

Christine's shocker made it 32- for Britain and Miss Haydon, only 19 and better known as a table tennis star, took it from there for the clincher in a raggedly-played match with Miss Arnold.

Even the clinching victory was an anticlimax for the crowd of 5000, which roared throughout the thrilling Truman-Gibson duel.

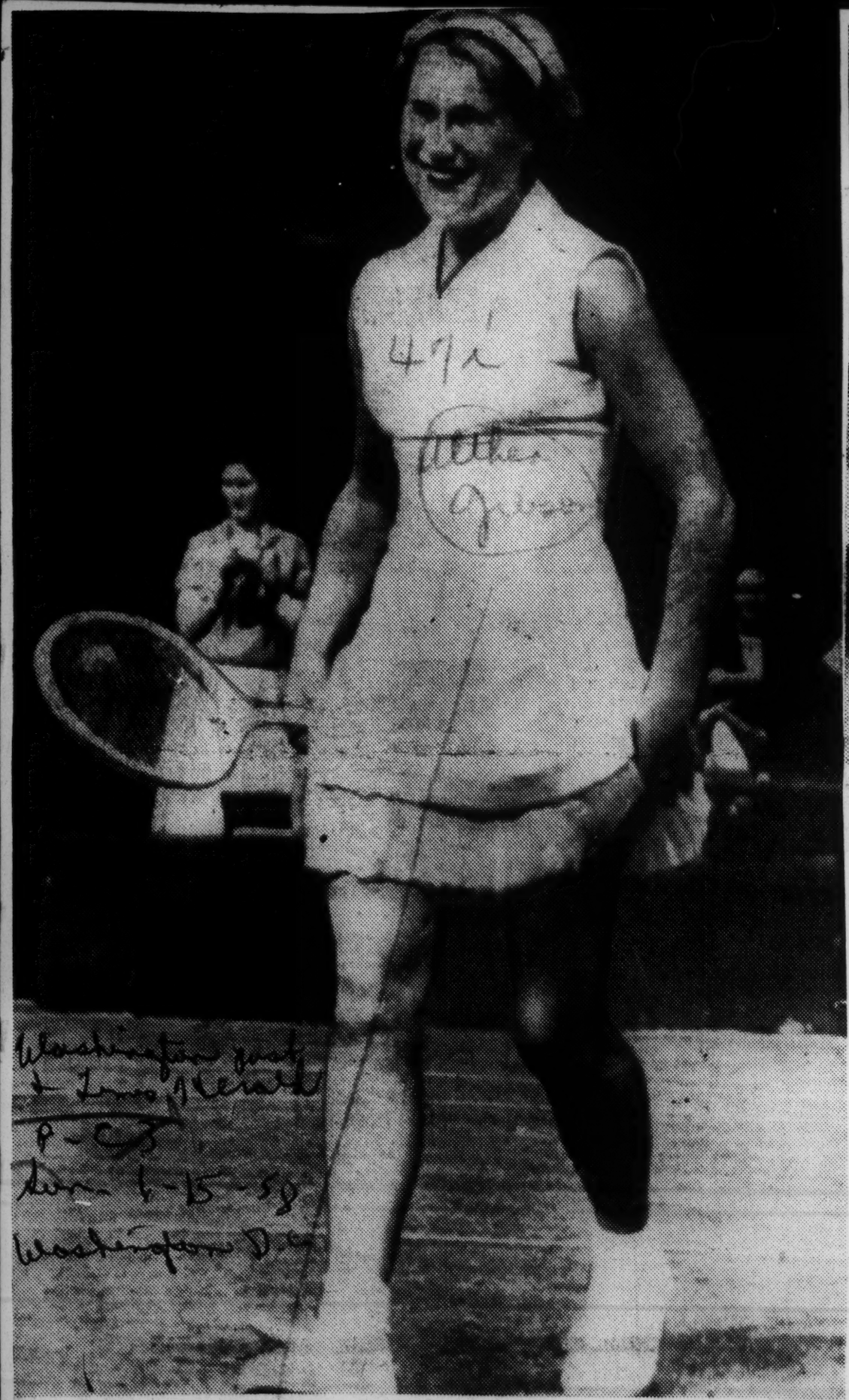
Rushing the Net

Althea, who scored America's only first day point with a 6—3, 6—4 decision over Miss Bloomer, swept through the first set today with hardly any effort. In the second set, Miss Truman abandoned the baseline tactics that worked so well in her singles and doubles matches yesterday and beganr ushing the net.

She broke Miss Gibson's service in the second game, held her own in the first and third and, leading 3—0, had the tall, gangling ace from New York's Harlem on the defensive.

In the third set, Christine broke Althea's service in the fifth game for a 3—2 lead but lost her serve in the sixth. Tied at 4—4, the powerful English girl scored the key break in the ninth game, then beat Miss Gibson with a sizzling passing shot in the tenth after double faulting at her first match point.

The U. S. still holds a tidy edge, 25-5 in the two-nation series which began in 1923. Britain's other victories were in 1924. 1925. 1828 and 1930.



AP Wirephoto

SLIP THAT SLIPPED—Smiling British Tennis player Shirley Bloomer walks to the sidelines to remove her half slip that slipped during opening round of Wightman Cup Tennis matches with United States team at Wimbledon, England. The crowd cheered as she stepped out of petticoat with hardly a blush.

Associated Press Radiophoto

UPSET VICTORY: Althea Gibson, left, congratulates Christine Truman, the 17-year-old English schoolgirl who beat her in Wightman Cup tennis tournment at Wimbledon, England. Miss Truman upset Miss Gibson, U. S. and Wimbledon champion: 2—6, 6—3, 6—4.

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QUEENS OF THE TENNIS COURT might well be the title bestowed on these young ladies following four days of intensive play in the American Tennis Association's Southeastern Junior Championships at North Carolina College in Durham last week. Each holds a Championship title and is shown proudly displaying trophies which were donated again this year by The Coca-Cola Company, Atlanta, Ga. From left, they are Misses C. Archie, of Norfolk, girls singles champion, 13-15 age group; Rudell Bell, Norfolk, girls singles, 15-18; M Colden, Philadelphia, who teamed with Miss Bell to win girls doubles, 15-18; Joyce Henry, Hawkins, Texas, runner-up, girls singles and doubles, 15-18, and Marvaline Faggett, Hawkins, Texas, partner of Miss Henry in girls doubles 13-15, and runner-up girls doubles 15-18.

Cooper and Althea Gibson Win National Tennis Titles

By ALLISON DANZIG

Ashley Cooper and Althea Gibson rule the world of amateur tennis. The hegemony of the 22-year-old youth from Australia and the young woman from Harlem was established beyond challenge yesterday.

Each added the American title to the British titles they won at Wimbledon last July. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles congratulated them on their victories and presented the championship trophies, to the plaudits of 14,000 in the Forest Hills Stadium, Queens.

Shortly before the end of the match, Cooper fell to the turf going after a shot and apparently injured his ankle. He arose amid groans to the thousands in the gallery a default appeared imminent.

But the Australian returned to the fray and minutes later the championship was his.

Miss Gibson, with her almost uncanny exploitation of the lob, overcame Darlene Hard, an unseeded player from Montebello, Calif., 3—6, 6—1, 6—2. She stood as the first woman to win at both Wimbledon and Forest Hills in successive years since Maureen Connolly of San Diego, Calif., did so in 1952 and 1953.

In responding to the remarks of Mr. Dulles, a man with a racquet, occasionally, as well as with a dispatch case, Miss Gibson, the first Negro player ever to compete in the championship, announced that she would not defend her titles in 1959.

She is retiring from the courts for a year to devote herself to her singing career and to the promotion of her forthcoming book on the story of her rise from the slums of New York to the pinnacle of tennis and world fame.

A Stunning Comeback

The black-haired Cooper, a perfect physical specimen and with an intensity of purpose that could not be shaken, rallied to snatch victory from Malcolm Anderson, his favored Davis Cup team-mate, who had beaten him in last year's final.

The scores of the superbly played, two-hour match were 6—2, 3—6, 4—6, 10—8, 8—6. The victory was gained under highly dramatic circumstances after hope had been abandoned repeatedly for Cooper, the champion of his country.

Cooper averted disaster with the score 40-0 against him on his service at 7-all in the fourth set. He was in trouble again as the wiry, dark-haired Anderson, leading at 5-4 in the final set after breaking through at love in the fifth game, prepared to unleash his whiplash service for what was accepted as inevitably the final game of this tremendous match.

Then came four thrilling backhand returns of service by Cooper, all knocked back at the feet of Anderson to break his service at love.

The shots drew storms of applause. It was one of the most stunning feats under maximum pressure that the championship has known. Anderson's virtuosity with the racquet had approached genius from the time he took command late in the second set, but this was a shock from which he never recovered.

With the resumption of play, four or five minutes after Cooper's mishap, Anderson served and Cooper knocked the ball out, it was Anderson's game, making the score 6-all.

Within five minutes, Cooper had won the match he had appeared to be on the verge of losing three times.

Whether it was Cooper's superior play or Anderson's slump that was accountable is food for speculation. Certainly Cooper played extremely well, amazingly well, considering how crippled he had appeared only a few minutes before the end. Anderson hardly could have been prepared for his opponent's mobility and brilliance of execution.

Cooper won the eleventh game on service with a volley, and overhead smash, and Anderson's two errors. By now Anderson knew it was no cripple he had to reckon with. But aroused as he was, and fight as he did to save a match he had come so close to winning, it was not his destiny to win. He met his fate in the next game.

Anderson won the first point of this final game as Cooper hit a backhand out of court. Then Ashley's return of service, so true for the first set and most of the second, got in its deadly work.

Anderson erred in taking the return of service, to make the score 15-all. He then put a backhand volley out of court and it was 15-30.

Cooper at Match Point

Now came a magnificent backhand return of service. The ball plummeted at Anderson's feet and he was a half-step too far forward to deal with it. His backhand half-volley found the net and it was 15-40, match.

Anderson served. Cooper's return of service was a beauty. It set up the championship shot. Anderson returned it with a defensive volley and Cooper pounced on it to volley it for a winner and the match.

Few players have received a greater hand in the stadium in recent years than Cooper got for his salvaging of this match against an opponent who had beaten him in three successive sets in the Newport final a few weeks ago and at Forest Hills last year.

The defeat was the cruelest of disappointments for Anderson, as bitter a pill as this quiet, mannerly youngster with the flaming strokes and the touch of an artist has had to take in his career.

Miss Gibson, too, gained her victory after taking a fall that caused some concern. In the prolonged second game of the final set against the blonde, bouncing Miss Hard, the champion fell in rushing across court for the ball.

She was wringing her right hand as she got to her feet and it was feared that she had suffered a sprain. She walked to the umpire's chair and there was a brief pause as she wiped her hand.

Althea in Command

Miss Gibson then took her place again on the court, to the applause of the gallery. Although she sai dafter the end of play that she had sprained two fingers, she proceded to take immediate command of a match in which she had been desperately pressed.

In the very first rally following the resumption, she threw up the fourth of her amazingly accurate lobs in this game. Miss Hard, rushing back to retrieve the ball at the baseline and then coming forward again, put a backhand volley into the net. Tired from her exertion in pursuit of the parabolas, she failed on another backhand volley in answer to the return of service, and lost her service.

That was the turning point in the set. Miss Gibson had lost her service in the first game, proceded to pull out the third game from 15—40 as the weakening Miss Hard lost her control, and then the champion broke service again in the fourth.

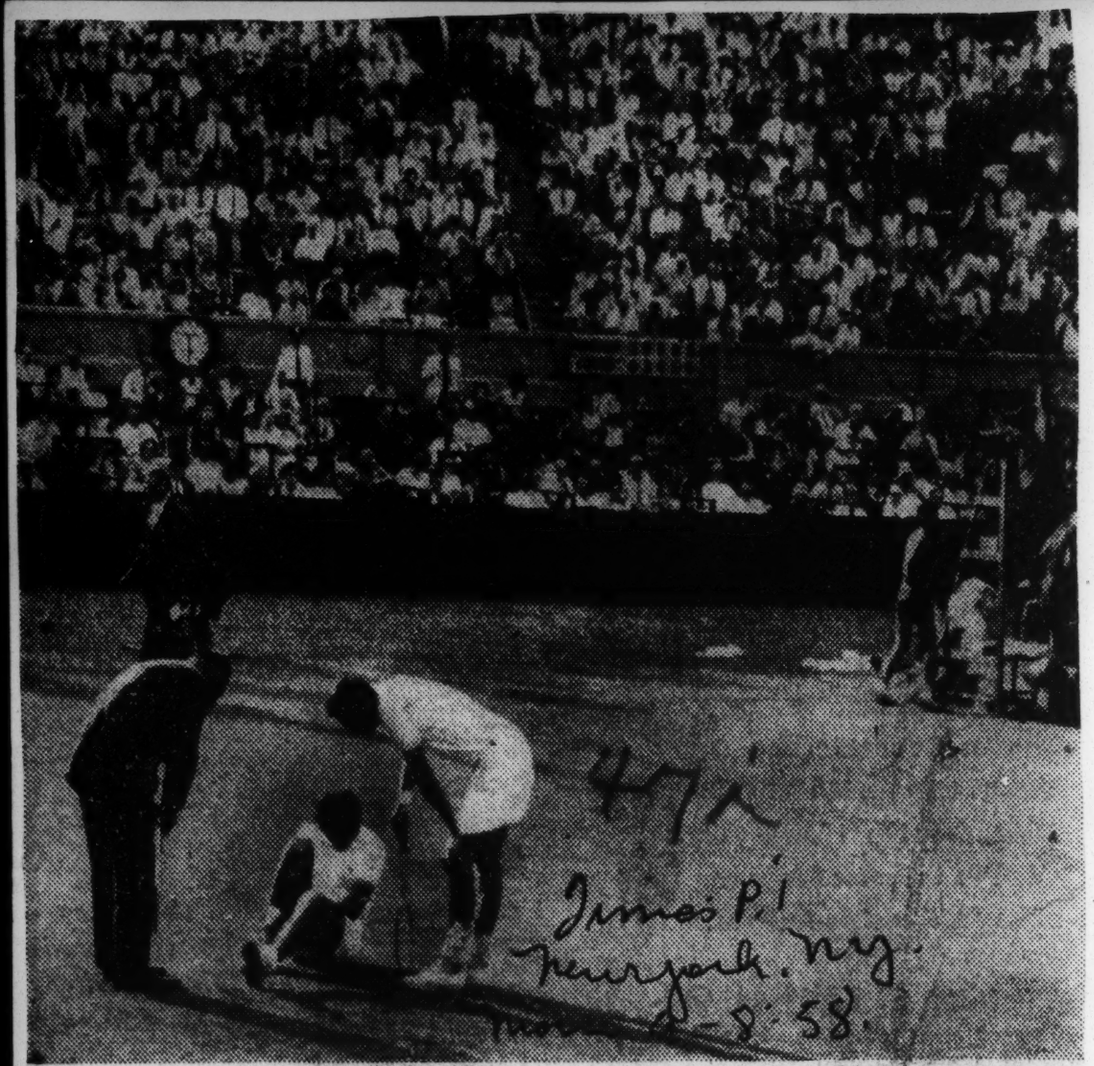
In this fourth game Miss Hard double-faulted and then Miss Gibson tossed up two more of those deadly lobs. Both fell squarely on the baseline and the sturdy Californian was done for.

Discouraged, though never quitting on the fight, she could win only one more game, the sixth. A lob helped Miss Gibson win the fifth and also the seventh.

Weary, Miss Hard double-faulted to start the final game. Then she failed on three volleys, once after being driven back by a lob, and her splendid challenge to the champion had come to naught.

Until Miss Gibson brought the lob into play, it had appeared that Miss Hard, who won the national doubles championship two weeks ago in her first tournament of the season, had at least an even chance of victory. The Californian's speed around the court, her volleying skill, particularly from the backhand, and her straight backhand return of service had won the opening set for her.

Miss Gibson in this set was making unworthy errors and was unable to return service from the backhand. Miss Hard was making double faults, but her first service was so deep, so well paced, that the champion could not deal with it. Miss Gibson served well herself and her volleying was decisive, but her ground strokes were losing the match.



The New York Times (by Allyn Baum)

HE GOT UP TO WIN: Ashley Cooper is offered aid by Malcolm Anderson, his opponent, and an official after injuring ankle in U. S. tennis championships at Forest Hills.

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MISS GIBSON GAINS IN ENGLISH TENNIS

Times

Miss Fageros, Maria Bueno and Miss Shilcock Also Reach Semi-Finals

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MANCHESTER, England June 5 (AP)—Althea Gibson of Ne wYork, the queen of the amateur tennis world, romped into the women's singles semi-finals in the North of England championship today with a 6-2, 6-3 victory over Yola Ramirez of Mexico.

Although Miss Gibson is the defending champion, the match was played on an outer court and the lithe New Yorker won with all the casualness of an exhibition in a public park.

Karol Fageros, a statuesque 24-year-old blonde from Miami, also reached the semi-final round, but Janet Hopps of Seattle was defeated. All the American men in the tourney were eliminated earlier.

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L *Maria Bueno Is Winner* L

Maria Bueno of Brazil defeated Mrs. K. A. Hawton of Australia, 6—4, 6—2, in the other quarter-final and will meet Miss Fageros tomorrow.

Ann Shilcock, a British Wightman Cup player, downed Miss Hopps, 7—5, 6—1, and will play Miss Gibson in the semi-final.

Miss Hopps took an early lead in her match with Miss Shilcock, but the British player evened the count at 5—5. Then she ran it out. At the start of the second game, Miss Hopps fell heavily but elected to continue playing.

Fourth-round men's results included the defeat of two Australians. Abe Segal of South Africa stopped R. A. Mark, 6—3, 2—6, 6—3, and Naresh Kumar of India polished off Bob Howe, 7—9, 6—3, 6—2.

Carter Wins at Cheltenham

CHELTENHAM, England, June 5 (UPI)—Nick Carter of San Francisco moved into the semi-finals of the Cheltenham lawn tennis tournament today by trouncing John Hurry of South Africa, 6—1, 6—2.

Roy Stillwell of Rhodesia, Alan Mills of England and A. Ribiero of Brazil also won quarter-final matches.

SCARBOROUGH, England, June 5 (UPI)—Great Britain took a 2-0 lead over Germany in the Davis Cup European Zone tennis quarter-finals today.

Mike Davies beat Wilhelm Bungert, 6—2, 6—2, 6—3, after Roger Becker had defeated Rupert Hubert, 6—1, 8—6, 6—3.

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, June 5 (AP)—Playing brilliant tennis, the Italian Davis Cup team gained a 2-0 edge over Denmark in the European Zone quarter-finals today.

Orlando Sirola outlasted Kurt Neilsen, 6—2, 4—6, 7—5, 12—14, 7—5. Nicola Pietrangeli needed only fifty-five minutes to defeat Torben Ulrich. 6—2. 6—3. 6—1.

ALTHEA IN SEMIFINALS

Commercial Appeal

Miss Fageros Also Advances At Manchester

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Gibson Wins England Net Tournament

Advertiser

MANCHESTER, Eng. (AP)—Poised Althea Gibson of New York Saturday defeated tense, 18-year-old Maria Bueno of Brail, 6-1, 8-6, to win the Northern England Tennis Championship for the third straight year.

It was the second straight tournament victory in England for the tall, 30-year old New Yorker. A week ago she trounced Mimi Arnold of Redwood City, Calif., in winning the Surrey crown.

This is the same pattern Miss Gibson followed a year ago in preparing for her grand sweep of the Wimbledon and American championships.

Ramanathan Krishnan, India's top player, defeated Naresh Kumar, his Davis Cup teammate, 8-7, 6-3, 6-2, in the men's final.

A crowd of 2,000 saw Miss Gibson win her match in 55 minutes on a court dampened by a slight drizzle.

Montgomery Ala.

The Brazilian senorita, rated the best female tennis player to come out of South America in more than 20 years, was overwhelmed in the first set. But she made her veteran opponent go all out in the final set.

"In two or three years, Maria will be unbeatable," said Miss Gibson after the match. "Today she was nervous and tensed up. She didn't really play her best. But I think the shots are all there.

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Southwestern Conference Track Meet Friday At Southern Univ.

Defender

BATON ROUGE, La. — Friday and Saturday, Southern University will host the 20th Annual Southwestern conference track, field, tennis and golf championships, marking the 20th consecutive year that the conference teams have met to pit their prowess against each other for the coveted conference crown.

To be held in conjunction with the conference championships will be the annual High School Invitational track and field meet which will feature prep teams from Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi and Louisiana.

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The SWAC championships date back to 1939 when Bishop College became the first conference winner with Langston taking runner up honors.

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Ironically enough, Bishop posted 39 points in taking the initial meet. Both the first winner and second place team have since become affiliated with other conferences, with Bishop now having membership in the Gulf Coast Conference and Langston at the close of the past season becomng a member of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Conference.

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TSU DEFENDING CHAMPS

Texas Southern University of Houston, the newest member of the conference is the defending champions, having piled up 52-points to take their second title since entry into the loop. They had won previously in 1955. Last year Prairie View and Southern finished second and third to TSU, posting 47 and 46 points respectively in the "chase."

This year, it appears that the victor will come from the threesome of TSU, Prairie View or Southern University, with Wiley and Texas College expected to cause a good "divvy" of the total points.

PV has been the big winner in past conference meets, and holds the distinction of having won for six straight years, beginning in 1948 and running through 1953. Southern took over as champs in 1954, after finishing second to PV for the years 1951-53.

The Jaguars too have had their share of conference laurels, as they posted wins in 1941-42-43-46 and again in 1954. They have been second placers on five occasions. Defending champion TSU has never finished as runner-ups, having come in for outright wins in the meets of 1955 and last year.

FIVE RECORDS FELL

Last year, five records fell in the annual meet with Cal Davis, Wiley College hurdler posting two. Davis marked 14.5 in the 120 high hurdles and clipped 1.1 seconds off the old 220 low hurdles mark by doing the event in 23.0.

Southern University's mile-relay team, fresh from action in the 64th running of the Penn Relays at Philadelphia where they came in for a second behind St. Josephs College, set a new standard in the mile-relay at last year's league meet, running a 3:19.2 to erase the old mark at 3:20 set by Langston in 1953.

David "Tin-Can" Roberson of Southern ran the 440 yard dash in a new time of 48.4 to make void the 48.7 set by Robert Washington of Langston in the trials of the 1956 meet.

Other new marks established were, 9:55.6 for the two-mile run set by Nunn of Prairie View and a 50' 2½" heave of the shot-put by Perkins of Texas Southern for the only new field event to be rewritten.

For the second straight year, Prairie View stacks up as the tennis favorite in both singles and doubles. Last year, James Clemons defeated Joseph Clift of TSU 6-2, 6-4 and 8-6 for the singles crown, then team with John Webster to down Clift and Joseph Pierce for the doubles title.

Jerry Brooks and Levelle Atkins of Southern are expected to lead Southern University in a successful defense of the conference golf title. Broko is also individual champ, having nosed out sidney Phillips of Arkansas for the low score.

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A RECORD AND TWO GOLD WATCHES — The Drake Relay record cracked as this Tennessee State University quartet turned in a blistering 1:25.6 880 yard relay in Des Moines recently establishing a new mark and picking up their first two gold waches. The Tennessee foursome added four more Drake-lettered time pieces in the 440-yard relay to boss the college division. They are (l. to r.): Thomas Torian, John Moon, Verna West and Eddie Adams. CLANTON III PHOTO

Mighty Morgan Regains Track Title

BALTIMORE, Md. — Morgan State College out-ran the formidable Winston-Salem Rams here Saturday to annex her 10th straight CIAA track and field championship.

In one of the most closely contested title meets in almost a decade, Coach Eddie Hurt's Golden Bears scored 54⅔ points to a 41-point total for the Rams. North Carolina College of Durham was third with 28 points, Maryland State fourth with 15 points, and Howard fifth with 13 points.

AS IT WAS, Wilbur Ross' sensational Rams accounted for the only new collegiate record of the meet, held May 9-10 at Morgan's Hughes Stadium. Francis Washington out-stepped his terrific teammate, Elias Gilbert, to win the 220-yard low hurdles in the new time of 0:23.3. This time beat the old record of 0:23.4, set by Lee Calhoun of North Carolina College in 1956.

Morgan's mile relay team ran a 3:11.3 race to equal the old meet record set by a Bear team in 1954. Paul Winder, Hosea Smith, Bob McMurray and Nick Ellis did the trick.

In retaining her CIAA track diadem, Morgan won six of the 17 collegiate titles at stake, picking up firsts in the sprint medely, the mile run, the 440-yard dash, the 100-yard dash, the 220-yard dash and the mile relay.

BOB BERRY successfully retained his mile run title but came in second behind Godfrey Moore of Winston-Salem in his bid to win the two-mile championship two years in a row. Bobby Gordon, Bear from Columbia, S. C., successfully defended his 100-yard title and won the 220-yard dash as well.

Cardozo High of Washington, D. C., unseated McKinley Tech, also of D. C., as scholastic champ by a half-point, scoring a total of 30 points.

COLLEGIATE SUMMARIES

SPRINT MEDLEY—Won by Morgan State (Nick Ellis, Paul Winder, Bob McMurray, Lee Martin); second, North Carolina College; third, North Carolina A. & T. Time: 3:28.4.

SHOT PUT—Won by Roger Brown, Maryland State; second, Mark Harvey, St. Augustine's; third, Theodore Ellis, Lincoln. Distance: 46 feet, 7½ inches.

BROAD JUMP—Won by Godfrey Moore, Winston-Salem; second, Charles Harris, Delaware State; third, Louis Smith, Morgan State. Distance: 22 feet, 11½ inches.

MILE RUN—Won by Robert Berry, Morgan State; second, Godfrey Matthews, Winston-Salem; third, Walter Cole, Morgan State. Time: 4:23.3.

440-YARD DASH — Won by Nick Ellis, Morgan State; second, Walter Johnson, North Carolina College; third, Kenneth Riley, North Carolina College. Time: 0:47.7.

JAVELIN—Won by Seldon Childs, J. C. Smith; second, Percy Cupid, Lincoln; third, William Johnson, J. C. Smith. Distance: 170 feet, 10½ inches.

DISCUS—Won by Roger Brown, Maryland State; second, Lorenzo Stanford, A. & T.; third, Louis Hagler, Shaw U. Distance: 145 feet, 4½ inches.

100-YARD DASH—Won by Bobby Gordon, Morgan State; second, Paul Winder, Morgan State; third, Vance Robinson, North Carolina. Time: 0:9.5.

120-YARD HIGH HURDLES — Won by Elias Gilbert, Winston-Salem; second, Francis Washington, Winston-Salem; third, Carl Brown, Winston-Salem. Time: 0:13.9.

880-YARD RUN—Won by Neville Christian, North Carolina; second, Lee Martin, Morgan State; third Ronald Merriweather, Morgan State. Time: 1:55.9.

220-YARD DASH—Won by Bobby Gordon, Morgan; second, Paul Winder, Morgan; third, Bob McMurray, Morgan. Time: 0:21.5.

HOP, STEP AND JUMP—Won by Joseph Middleton, Winston-Salem; second, Winston McLean, Howard U.; third, Godfrey Moore, Winston-Salem. Distance: 44 feet, 2 inches.

TWO-MILE RUN—Won by Godfrey Matthews, Winston-Salem; second, Robert Berry, Morgan; third, Carl Hawthorne, North Carolina. Time: 9:55.3.

POLE VAULT—Won by James Habron, Howard; second, Merwyn Reaves, Howard; third, Lawrence Wilson, Morgan. Height: 11 feet.

220-YARD LOW HURDLES — Won by Francis Washington, Winston-Salem; second, Elias Gilbert, Winston-Salem; third, George Hearn, North Carolina. Time: 0:23.3 (new record, breaking old record of 0:23.4 set by Lee Calhoun of North Carolina in 1956).

HIGH JUMP — Tie: Charles McCollough, North Carolina, and Henry Fields, Elizabeth City; third, Donald Thompson, St. Augustine's. Height: 6 feet 3¾ inches.

MILE RELAY — Won by Morgan (Paul Winder, Hosea Smith, Bob McMurray, Nick Ellis); second, North Carolina; third, Winston-Salem. Time: 3:11.3 (ties record set by Morgan in 1954.

SPORTS OF THE WORLD

BY MARION E. JACKSON

Florida A. and M., Xavier University and South Carolina State will have the strongest teams at the 21st Annual SIAC Track and Field Championships in Atlanta, Ga., May 9-10. The Rattlers won five championship events at the Tuskegee Relays—440 yards run, 880 and one mile relays, shotput and pole vault. Xavier copped one title in annexing the two-mile relay . . . SIAC observers were impressed with improvements on the Tuskegee Institute Alumni Bowl cinder track. It was in superb condition and the drainage system near-flawless . . .

Our recent column on women's athletics started our readers to thumbing through scrapbooks. Many recalled topnotch competitors whose names were not included in our who's who of women track and field greats. Among the names which readers believed should be included in the honor roll of Olympic and AAU stars are Cora Ellis, Nell Jackson, Mildred Grisby Cosby, Isolene Sherrod, Vesta Crayton Fuller, Ruth Westmoreland, Elizabeth Houston Sanders, Jessie Abbott, Hattie Palmer Turner, Evelyn Lawler Lewis, Mable Walker and Theresa Manuel.

Tuskegee Olympic stars included Mrs. Alice Coachman Davis who won a gold medal at the Olympics in London, England in 1948. Nell Jackson, Evelyn Lawler Lewis, Mable Walker and Theresa Manuel also competed in the Olympics of '48.

Mary McNabb, a star at Atlanta's David T. Howard High School, was a member of the Olympic team that competed in Helsinki, Finland in 1952 and Mildred McDaniel was the only American Woman to win a gold medal at Melbourne, Australia in 1956.

TWO COLLEGE TEAMS COMPETED in the Women's Sports Day last week, but those who stayed away are missing the boat. There's education in athletics, nowadays. For example, Alabama State, Bethune Cookman and Prairie View were not represented but it's a shame they didn't give their women students a crack at the global travel which the National Amateur Athletic Union is going to provide gift-wrapped next summer.

THE AAU is going to send one of the biggest track and field teams ever assembled to Russia next summer and a large number of the contingent will be women. Tennessee State girls were anxious to keep in shape and qualify for the safari. If they make it, the education they'll receive will go far beyond the limited facilities of the classroom.

Tennessee State girls have traveled to Europe, South America, Australia, Canada and throughout the U. S. at no cost to their alma maters. In the process they've received a valuable education which is based on experiences, not visual and rote learning.

It is the finest type of education to travel and the cosmopolitan manners and good habits of travel and dress are as vital as any learning one can receive in the classroom.

THERE ARE EDUCATORS who deplore the travel which is a requisite of athletics, but not a single one of these institutions will turn down these grants for faculty members to increase their intellectual pursuits through a leisurely trip through foreign lands.

Education is a cloak of many colors. Its colors are ingrained in athletic competition which now provides travel experiences few colleges could underwrite. It would be well for our educators to look with new interest at these AAU junkets next summer which will carry our athletes into many foreign lands.

Our boys and girls who make the trips will be our finest Ambassadors of Goodwill and will stimulate international amity and accord in much the manner of the Fulbright, Merrill and Reid foundations.

The AAU in essence is doing a similar function in providing travel experiences proves that there are more ways than one to skin a cat. We should keep this in mind. There are few philantrophists, but every kid is naturally endowed with some kind of physical skill and can make it on his own prowess when the financeers and industrialists look the other way with their filthy lucre.

NEWS BEAT: The NAIA has received a $7,000.00 for the administration of its June 6-7 National Track and Field Championships, at Balboa Stadium, San Diego, Calif.

Each District as a result will be permitted to qualify 10 track and field athletes for mileage appropriation. District 6 and 29 are eligible to send its top competitors. The district chairman must send the list of athletes approved to Al Duer, NAIA Headquarters, Aladdin Hotel, Kansas City, Mo., by May 15.

Last year a policy was adopted that travel expense (round trip air coach) would be assured the ten top athletes recommended by the National Selection Committee as worthy of this consideration. This policy will again be followed this year. This estimated expense will be approximately $1,800.00.

A policy has also been adopted that we follow the same proration schedule as in our basketball tournament which assures greater share of proration to athletes traveling long distances, as follows:

Athletes traveling 500 miles or less, .48 cent per mile.

Athletes traveling 501-750 miles, .72 cent per mile.

Athletes traveling 751-1000 miles, .90 cent per mile.

Athletes traveling 1001-1250 miles, .96 cent per mile.

Athletes traveling over 1250 miles, $1.08 per mile.

Since it is doubtful whether the total income will be sufficient to pay this schedule, the net income will be prorated on this schedule in the amount available for proration.

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Prairie View Captures SWAC Track And Field Crown

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BATON ROUGE, La — Sparked by a brilliant James "Bo" Farrington who broke the SWAC record for the 100-yard dash on a muddy field, the Prairie View Panthers took the [illegible] injury-addled Southern and TSU track crew to pile up 63-points winning the 20th nnual SWAC track & field meet held at Southern University Friday and Saturday.

Houston Chronicle

An unpredictable weather situation failed to alter the predicted outcome of the 20th SWAC meet. Prairie View with their mighty crew of distance men and "Bo" Farrington in the role of a sprinter swamped opponents who were crippled severely by injuries.

Southern University suffered two great losses when David "Tin Can" Robertson missed the meet due to injuries and Palph Jones took a nasty spill in the preliminaries when his foot caught the last hurdle in the 180-yard low hurdles.

Jones was leading all contestants at the time of the fall that rendered him unconscious. Jones limping badly returned the next day to compete in the high hurdles that he had already qualified for.

TSU suffered a great loss when Jerry Green bowed to a pulled muscle in the preliminaries of the 100-yard dash and Leviege suffered a similar injury in the finals of the half mile.

Erskine Moorehead sparked the Tigers on to a third place in the meet however with an outstanding individual performance in the open quarter and mile relay.

PV's distance men Fant and Nunn thrilled a soaked crowd in the 800 yard run and mile by making it a close 1-2 for the Panthers in both events.

The pair also displayed the same form Friday on a dry track in the two mile with Fant setting a new record of 9:47.7. It was Prairie iewV's ninth SWAC track championship that was wrapped up with 63 points.

SWAC MEET SUMMARY

High Jump- Widley (PV) 5' 10" note: the height was hampered by a slick field that held the jumpers down): Shot Putt-Leopcid and Hodge (Wiley) 46' 10½; Discus- Jones 140'7"; 120 High Hurdies- Davis (Wiley) 140'7"; 440 dash- Moorehead (TSU) 50.0; 100 yard dash-- Farrington (PV) 9.5; Broadjump- Courville (SU) 23'8 3-4; Javelin throw-Young (SU) 179'9"; 880 run-Fant PV) 1:58.5; 220 High Hurdles. Davis (Wiley) 24.8: 220 dash Farrington (PV) 2.4; Mile Nunn (PV) 4:49.4; Two mile- Fant 9:47.7; Mile Relay-TSU (Frazier, Bush, Moorehead....)

Elliott Can't Run In The U.S.

Defender p. 24

SYDNEY, Australia — (UPI) — Herb Elliott, the Australian who lowered the world mile record to 3:54.5 last Wednesday at Dublin, was refused permission to run again in the United States next December.

Arthur Hodsdor, secretary of the Australian Amateur Athletic Union, said Dan Ferris, honorary secretary-treasurer of the American A. A. U. had invited Elliott to run the mile during the Sugar Bowl Festival at New Orleans, La.

Hodsdon said the Australian A. A. U. could not give Elliott permission to take part in the meet because he already has exhausted the 28 days allowed for appearances in invitation events outside his own country. The Australian group recently refused to permit Elliott to run in the Scandinavian countries for the same reason.

U.S. WOMEN'S TRACK TEAM—All first, second and third place winners in the annual National AAU women's championship in Morristown, N.J., these young women compose the American Women's track team which will meet Russia in their first dual meet in Moscow July 27 and 28. Shown in top row, from left to right, Amelia Wershoven (N.Y.), Queens Mercuretes, 2nd place javelin throw; Lillian Green, P.A.L., N.Y., 1st place 880-yd. run; Martha Hudson, Tennessee State, 3rd place 100-yd. dash; Barbara Brown, P.A.L., N.Y., tied 1st in high jump; Willie B. White, Tennessee State, 3rd place broad jump; Doris McCaffrey, Alumni A.C., Providence R.I., 3rd place hurdles. In middle row (left to right) are: Margaret Matthews, Tennessee State, 1st place in broad jump and 100-yard dash; Majorie Lorney, Queens Mercurettes, N.Y., 1st place javelin throw; Flo McCardle, Queens Mercurettes, N.Y., 2nd place 880-yd run; Annie Smith, Tennessee State, 2nd place broad jump; Loretta Foley, Queens Mercurettes, N.Y., 2nd place hurdles; Arlean Brown, South Pacific Assn., 1st place shotput and discus throw; Sharon Ann Shepherd, Napleton, Ore., 2nd place shotput. In bottom row (left to right) are: Isabelle F. Daniels, Tennessee State, 1st place 220-yd. run; Barbara Jones, Tennessee State, 2nd place 100-yd. dash; and Verneda Thomas, Chicago Comets, 2nd place high jump.

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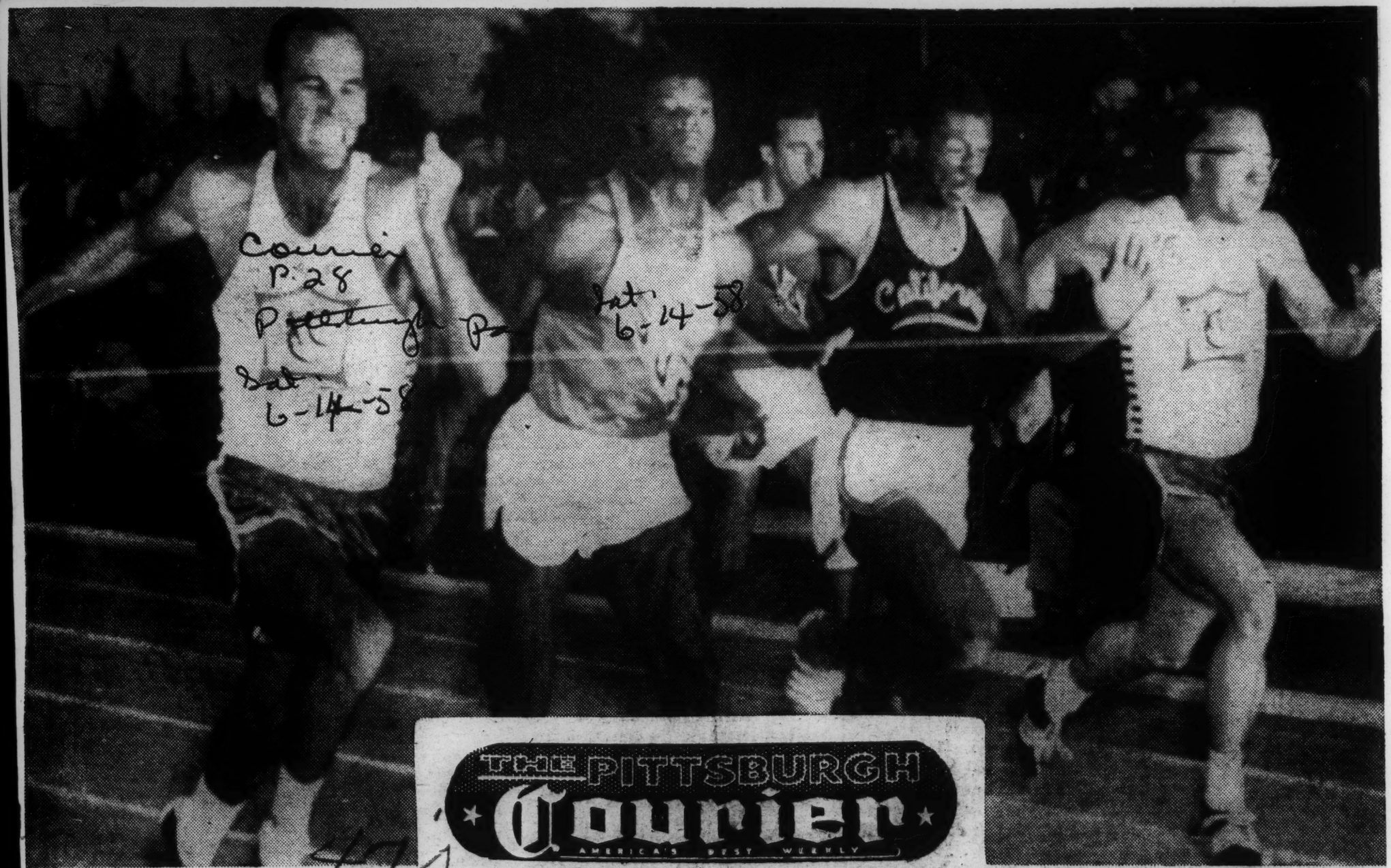

Pick a Winner—Want a difficult job? Then try and tell which runner in the above picture finished first. As it turned out, Bobby Morrow, Abilene Christian's Olympic champion, left, hit the tape ahead of the filed. His time was 9.4. Finishing in a three-way tie for second were Ray Norton, San Jose State; Willie White, California, and Bill Woodhouse, Abilene Christian. The race was the California Relays held in Modesto, Calif.

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Pearman Spikes Rumors That He's Over the Hill

He's Old for Track at 33 but He's Not Out of Gas Yet

By GORDON S. WHITE JR.

"That guy Reggie certainly looks his age now."

This observation came from one of the experts who witnessed the recent indoor track and field championships of the Amateur Athletic Union's Metropolitan Association.

Running on the board track of the 102d Engineers Armory, the 33-year-old Pearman finished third behind Tom Murphy of Manhattan and Pete Byrne of West Point in the meet's 600-yard run.

A year ago, the same member of the expert staff might have said the same thing and with even more emphasis. In the 1957 Met indoors, Reggie failed to qualify for the final of the 600, finishing third in his trial heat.

If such a comment was made by anyone in 1957, Pearman proved the inexpertness of the expert and the chances are that before the current indoor season is over, he'll show he's still as young as a winner can be.

Victor in Millrose 600

Following last year's failure in the Mets, Reggie did a number of things which indicated that age hasn't hurt him.

In February of 1957, the fine middle-distance runner scored a stunning victory in the 600 of the Millrose Games at Madison Square Garden. He won the race in 1:

On June 15 he set a meet record of 1:51.7 in winning the Metropolitan A. A. U. outdoor half-mile title. In this race he was forced to show his vaunted kick to the 18-year-old Tom Carroll, who was competing in his first senior A. A. U. meet. Carroll also bettered the old mark of 1:52.2 in finishing second.

That 1:52.2 mark was set by Pearman in 1948.

These victories by Pearman were just warm-ups as the New York Pioneer Club athlete went to the National A. A. U. championships in Dayton and nearly set a record for the 440-yard run. He won the quarter-mile in 0:46.4 and it was believed that he had broken the National A. A. U. mark of 0:46.6. However, a later measurement of the course showed it to be short of 440 yards by a few feet, so the record was disallowed.

However, Pearman was credited with his fourth National title, the first of which he won in 1947.

He Appraises Future

Pearman talks as though he plans to pull just as many surprises out of the bag this winter and next spring to impress the experts.

He appraised his own track future by saying, "A man ought to finish when he is finished. By that I mean he can't make it any more. There's no need to continue when there's little chance of winning.

"However, running doesn't make any unusual physical demand on me now and I don't see any reason for thinking of retiring now."

Certainly experience is a major factor on Pearman's side.

Reggie, a teacher of English, Social Studies and Health Education at Junior High School 142 in Queens, has traveled much as an athlete and may do more before settling down to a former runner's existence.

Since he first competed in a race during an intramural competition at Newtown H. S. in Queens in 1941, Pearman has run in thirteen countries, including Finland, where he competed in the 1952 Olympics.

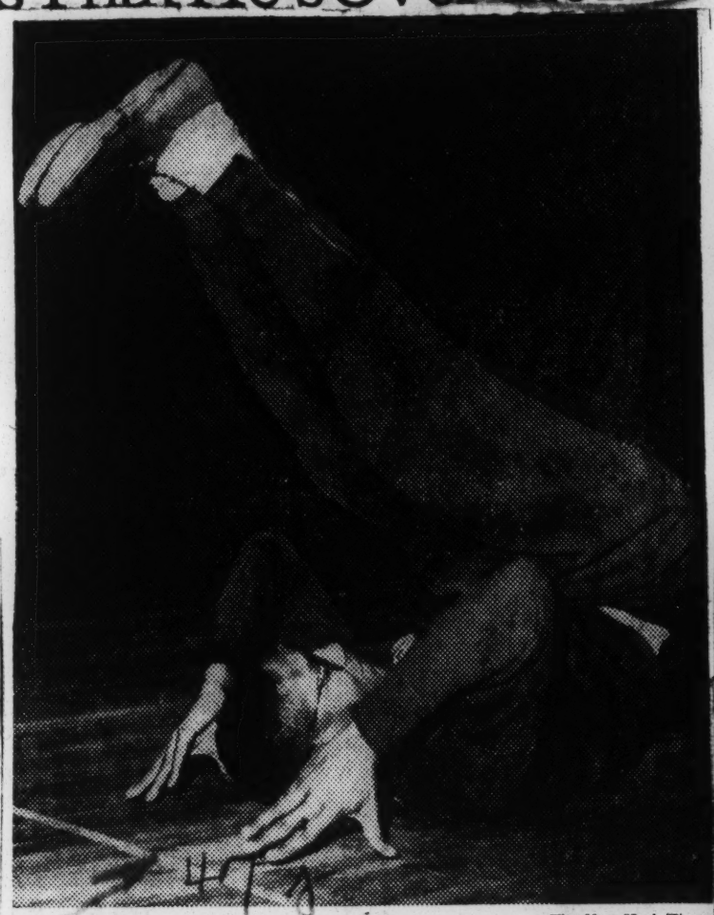
Qualifying Achievement

He didn't fare too well in the Olympic Games at Helsinki. But he feels his greatest achievement was qualifying to take that trip.

"To get beyond these shores in an Olympic year is usually tougher than competing in the Games themselves," Pearman said.

The 6-foot 2-inch, 175-pound runner should win some more races before calling it quits. His own idea of when to stop indicates he will know better than anyone when the time has come. His earnest appraisal of his own stature among middle-distance runners competing now would show that that time is not near.

Pearman said, "I rank Tom Courtney and Arnie Sowell as the leading middle-distance runners in the nation today. And I think I'm pretty good, too."



The New York Times

Reggie Pearman limbering up at meet held here on Jan. 4

COMEBACK VICTOR — Josh Culbreath, nipped by the classy Charley Jenkins in the Inquirer 600, at Philadelphia, on Friday, stormed back to score in the Star Games at Washington the following night.

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Afro-American P.13 Baltimore, Md.

WINNER OF TWO FOR TWO—Elias Gilbert, who spent most of last year chasing Olympic champion Lee Calhoun over the bars, started the current indoor track season in bangup fashion. The Winston-Salem Teachers College ace won two big tests in as many nights last weekend, scoring in the Inquirer meet in Philadelphia Friday and in the Evening Star Games in Washington on Saturday.

Southern Enters 11-Track Meet

BATON ROUGE, La. — Participation in 11 track meets for the 1958 season was announced for the Southern university track team by A. W. Mumford, athletic director at Southern. Southern will host a triangular meet on March 29, in addition to the Southwest conference championship track and field meet on May 9-10.

On March 8, 14-15, 21-22 respectively, the Jaguars will compete in the Xavier triangular in New Orleans, the Capitol City relays in Austin, Texas and the Florida A&M relays at Tallahassee, Fla., prior to the Southern university triangular.

Southern's track mile relay team, which posted a 3:19 for the event to break the old Conference record of 3:20, and went undefeated in all meets last season, seems to be the squads brightest spot this year. The team is made up of Walter Allen, who also specialized in the 440 yard dash; Co-capt. Marvin Robinson, who also runs the 880; Darwin Robinson, who is a one and two mile run specialist and Co-capt. David Roberson.

Harry Key, who has done the 100 yards in 9.6, will be the big man among the sprinters, according to track coach James Bell. Bell was also optimistic about the potentialities of sprinters Aaron Sutton, William Cheatham and Ronald Smith.

In the field events, Ralf Jones and Sterling Williams will carry the Southern colors in the hurdles events. Jones is returning from last season and has posted times of 14.5 for the 120 high hurdles and 23.0 in the 220 low hurdles.

Freshman performers for this season's squad are: Cleo Vernon in the mile and 880; John Pryor, who was Texas state high school pole vault champ last year; Sutton, Henry Tripplett, broad jump; D. Robinson; Cefus Drummer, 440-yard dash and mile relay team alternate; Ronald Smith, 100-yard dash and William Cheatham, also a dash man.

The complete schedule follows: March 8, Xavier triangular, New Orleans, La.; March 14-15, Capitol City, Austin, Texas; March 21-22, FAMU relays, Tallahassee, Fla.; March 29, Southern triangular, Baton Rouge, La.; April 11-12 Prairie View relays, Prairie View, Texas, April 18-19, Wiley relays, Marshall, Texas; April 25-26, Drake relays, Des Moines, Iowa; May 2-3, Tuskegee relays, Tuskegee, Ala.; May 9-10, SWAC championship, Baton Rouge, La.

High School Sports

Tryout Paid Off for Jump-Shot Star

Times P. 37

By HOWARD M. TUCKNER

A little man named Tubby stopped Willie Hall on a Harlem street corner about four and a half years ago.

"Willie," Tubby said, "I've told Coach Lou Carnesecca about you and he's interested. How would you like to go to St. Ann's next fall?"

"What do I have to do?" Willie asked.

"Nuthin'," said Tubby, "just let Lou watch you play a little basketball, that's all."

The tryout was arranged, Carnesecca was impressed, and in the fall of 1954 Willie Hall enrolled as a scholarship student (free books and tuition) at St. Ann's High School.

It was one of the best decisions Carnesecca and St. Ann's ever made. From the start of his career at St. Ann's (oops, perhaps we should say Archbishop Molloy, since that is the new name of the Jamaica school), Hall was considered one of the outstanding scholastic basketball players in the city.

Also the Most Exciting

Willie has done nothing since to disprove that rating. In fact, he has acquitted himself so well that basketball observers say Willie Hall is not only the best high school player in the city but also the most exciting.

Hall, or Kid Kangaroo as he is known to his team-mates, is a 6-foot 4-inch 190-pound man-in-motion performer, who is an extra-talented scorer, rebounder and court general. He began playing with the varsity late in his freshman season and has been hitting at a 23-point-per-game average since.

A unanimous selection on the national Catholic High Schools all-star quintet for the past three campaigns, the senior forward is a threat to score from any part of the court.

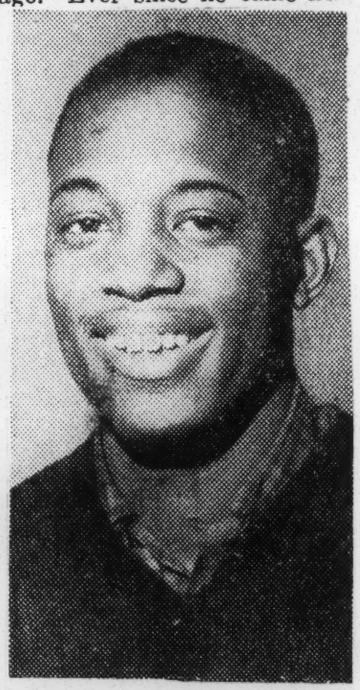
He drives relentlessly, hooks and dribbles with either hand and pivots and rebounds off either foot. But it is his smooth one-handed jump shot that has gained the most attention.

Willie shoots the jumper with his left hand when he's in close and pops with his right hand at longer distances. He makes the switch, he says, "because I can get higher off my left foot and have a little more strength in my right arm."

Slingshot Success

So successful has he been with either slingshot (of the 600 points he has scored this season 450 were tallied on jumpers) there are those who maintain Willie Hall is equipped with an ambidextrous radar system.

Willie Charles Hall is a modest, well-mannered lad who was born in Miami nineteen years ago. Ever since he came here seven years ago to live with his grandparents, teachers, coaches and friends have wanted to know why he was a year behind in school.



The New York Times

Willie Hall

"When I was in the first and second grades I didn't like school," Willie says. "I used to hang out with my cousins and they didn't like school either. So we didn't go. Played the hook. Used to go fishin' on the Venetian Causeway and catch ourselves plenty of red snappers."

After being set back a year in school, Willie became convinced the snappers would be just as eager to bite after 3 o'clock, so he began attending school regularly though his cousins stuck to fishing between 9 and 3.

College Plans Set

"And you know what," Willie said, "I still kept catching more fish than my cousins."

Although he has attempted to make it clear to inquiring college coaches that he has decided to enter St. John's next fall, Willie still receives tempting offers from hopeful mentors. Dayton, Ohio State and Kansas recently entered the sweepstakes.

Rumor has it that one coach was so positive he would land him that he sent Willie a sample of the school's freshman beanie with the numerals 1962 sewn across it.

"I've made up my mind about St. John's and that's it," Willie said. "You let the coaches know you're undecided and you don't have a moment's peace. As it is I don't have enough time for my studies and my bongo drums. Basketball, bongos and books; that's my life."

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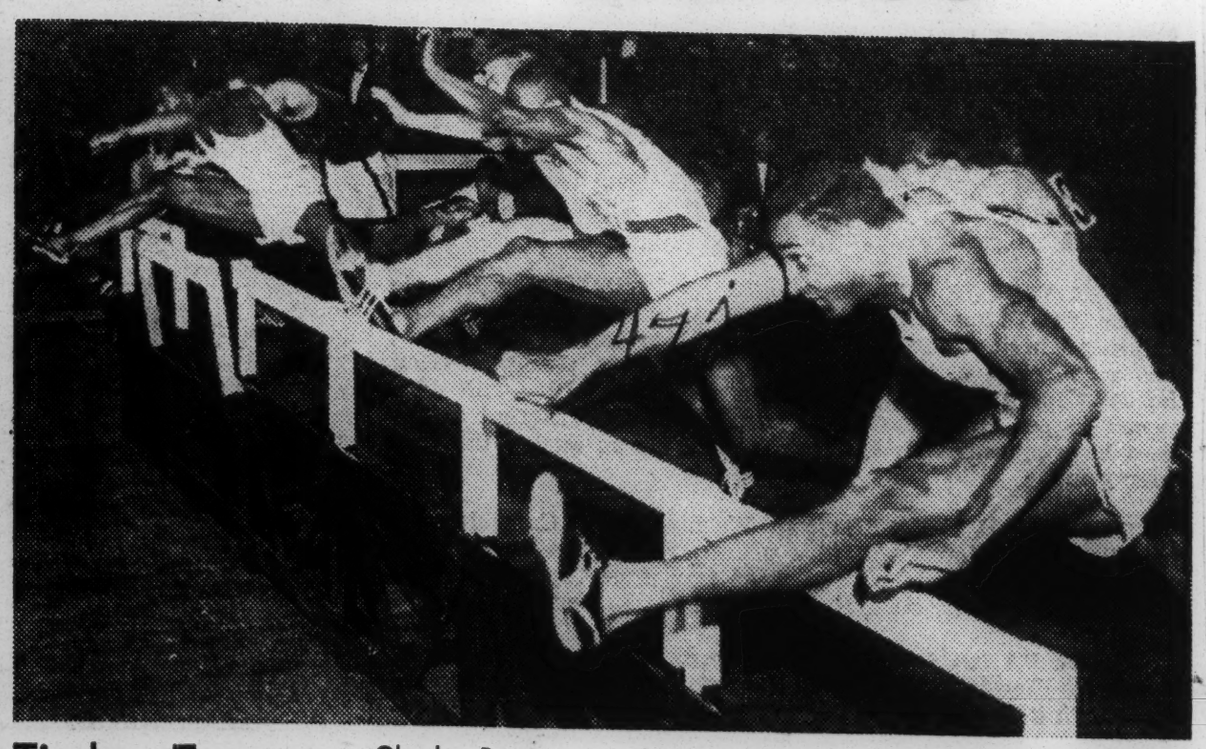
Beats Murchison, Sime in 60

Ken Kave Grabs Big Win During Millrose Games



Timber Toppers—Charles Pratt, right, of the Philadelphia Pioneer Club, takes a lead that stood up in the hurdles of the Boston A. A. track and field meet last week. Pratt won the 45-yard race in 5.6 seconds. In doing so he broke a three-meet win streak that had been compiled by Wiston-Salem's Elias Gilbert, second from left, who finished second.

By JAMES EDMUND BOYACK

NEW YORK—"Always a bridesmaid, but never a bride. That's me."

The perspiration streaming down his face, Ken Kave of the 27th Surgical Hospital at Fort Meade, Md., became "the bride" for the first time Saturday when he defeated a brilliant array of speedsters in the 60-yard dash at the 51st running of the Millrose Games at Madison Square Garden. His time was 6.2 seconds.

In the semi-finals both Ed Collymore of Villanova and Kave equaled the world indoor record of 0:6.1 in their respecive heats.

Kave shut out hot favorite Ira Murchison of Western Michigan, whose starting block slipped as he took off at high speed, only to finish second. Another 0:6.1 speed star—Dave Sime of Duke also was shut out in the final which saw him run last.

Pittsburgh Pa.

ROBERT BROWN of Morgan State was breathing on Kave's neck, followed by Collymore. Sime was expected to finish first, or second to Murchison in the event.

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"I always seem to run second or third in these dashes," Kave said. "I never expected to win this one, because I was giong against the best sprinters in the world. The fact is that I had to go the distance three times before being named the winner. I never expected to do it either because of a recent tonsilectomy.

"I've just been promoted to First Lieutenant as medical supply officer. Boy, am I going to celebrate when I get back to Fort Meade," he said.

"My main trouble is that I can't relax while running. If I could relax, I think I could beat the world record and make it six seconds flat against those boys. I'll be back again next week to try," Kave promised.

Elias Gilbert, 22, of Winston-Salem Teachers who is pencilled in as Harrison Dillard's successor in the 60-yard high hurdles, told The Courier that before he finishes school he hopes to smash the world record of seven seconds for the distance.

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SATURDAY GILBERT skipped the bars in 0:7.2 to defeat his teammate Francis Washington by a step. Al Hoddinot of Georgetown and Robert Hallup of Villanova finished third and fourth.

"I'm working on a secret system," he told the writer after his easy victory. "If this materializes, I won't have any trouble breaking the record," he confided.

He said his system is based on training, competition and confidence. He now is working on a flying start, maintaining the rhythm of the race, and finally the last five-yard dash. Elias also is working on speeding up those three important strides between the hurdles.

Charlie Jenkins of Villanova picks him to be "the sure-fire" winner of the 110 meter hurdles in the 1960 Olympics. Prior to the big event, Gilbert is going to start in the Pan-American games.

Jenkins, the 400 meter Olympic champ, walked off with the Mel Sheppard 600 in the Millrose games without extending himself. Josh Culbreath of the Philadelphia Pioneer Club, who finished second, was the only runner to extend the Villanova senior in buseiness administration.

He was followed to the tape by Joe Gaffney of the U. S. Army with last year's winner—Reggie Pearman of the N. Y. Pioneer Club running last. Pearman has not yet rounded into form.

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JENKINS RAN just fast enough to win in 1:11.7. He previously had posted 1:10.9 for the distance in Boston. His fastest time for the race was 1:9.9. The indoor record is 1:9.5.

Jenkins told The Courier that he now is concentrating on his studies because he lost six months preparing for the Olympics.

"I don't know how many meets I'm going to compete in. My studies come first," he said.

Charles (Deacon) Jones, of the University of Iowa, the two-mile sensation of the indoor season, maintained his mastery by posting 9:01.3 for his favorite distance. He won over Velisa Mugoss of Yugoslavia, and Gordon McKenzie of the New York Pioneer Club.

He posted a meet record in Philadelphia of 8:58.6, followed by a 9:01.1 race in Boston. In winning the Millrose event, "The Deacon" slashed one and one-tenth seconds from Horace Ashenfelder's time in winning this event last year. The meet record is 8:52.8, set by Gregg Rice in 1942.

Cubans Gave Bragan Idea

Dillard Will Teach Indians How to Run

Post & Times Herald
Washington D.C. p 23
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TUCSON, Ariz., Feb. 25 — Olympic champion Harrison Dillard is going to try to give the Cleveland Indians more speed on the basepaths.

Indian manager Bobby Bragan said today he had watched Raudol Ruiz, Cuban Olympic track coach, do wonders with baseballers in Cuba this winter and had decided the Cleveland club could use the same kind of tutoring.

DILLARD

Bragan didn't have to look far for a track coach. Dillard, who won sprint and hurdle medals in two trips to the Olympics, is a member of the Indians' front office staff.

Dillard is due to arrive at the Cleveland camp early in March and will devote much of the spring training period teaching the Indians how to make the most of their physical assets in running bases.

"We are not after straightaway speed," Brgaan explained. "We want to make the Indians more running conscious. We want them to be thinking about getting away from the plate faster, picking up their feet and using their arms to proper advantage.

"A lot of baseball players don't know a thing about running. They kick their heels together or bring their legs up too high. They are constantly swinging their heads back and forth.

"Naturally, we don't expect to take the older players like Gene Woodling, Vic Wertz and Bobby Avila. Their ways are set. Experience has taught them what they can do.

"We are primarily interested in the younger players."

NEGRO LEAGUE MEET IS HELD IN MEMPHIS

Teams Adopt Split Schedule; Reject Expansion

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The Negro American Baseball League held its annual spring meeting here Saturday at the offices of Dr. B. B. Martin.

The schedule for the split season was adopted with opening day set May 25 and the season closing Labor Day.

In other action, the league decided to remain as a four-team circuit although the application of Raleigh, N. C., presented by Arthur Dove, was considered.

The league issued a statement saying "One club could not be accepted as it would mean an unbalanced league, but would be willing to accept Raleigh, providing another city was acceptable."

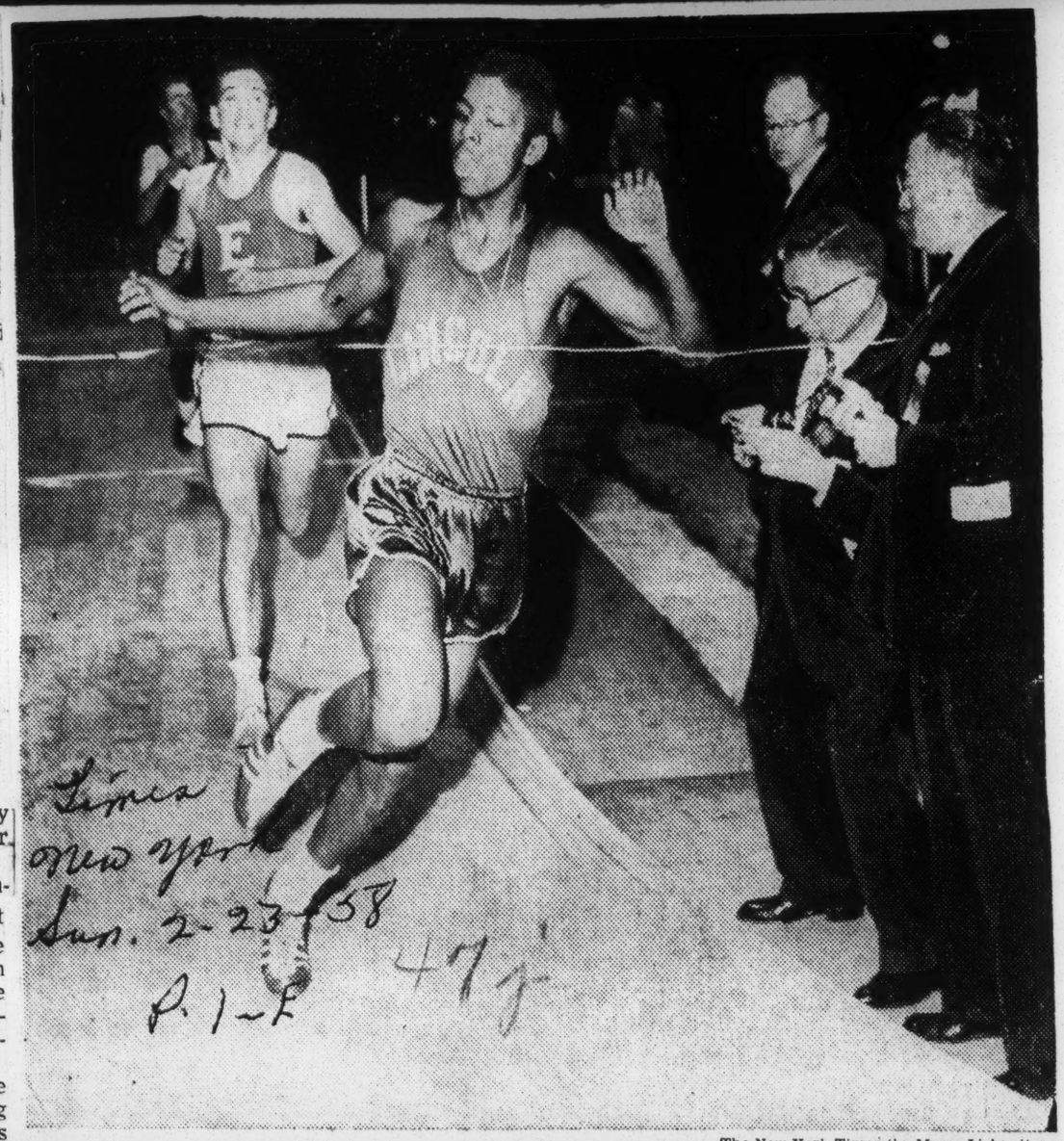
All four team owners were present or represented including Ted Rasberry of the Kansas City Monarchs, William Little of Detroit Stars, Dr. Anderson Ross and Arthur Williams of Birmingham Black Barons, and Mrs. Eva Cartman and Dr. B. B. Martin of the Memphis Red Sox.

Managers for the coming season are Jim Canady of Birmingham; Ed Steele, Detroit; William 'Dizzy' Dismukes, Kansas City; and Rufus Ligons, Memphis.

Players will report for spring training April 15. Several exhibition games are scheduled during the training sessions.

FIRST HALF SCHEDULE

May 25	Detroit at Birmingham
	Kansas City at Memphis
June 1	Kansas City at Birmingham
	Detroit at Memphis
June 8	Birmingham at Kansas City
	Memphis vs. Detroit
June 15	Memphis at Birmingham
	Detroit vs. Kansas City
June 22	Birmingham vs. Memphis
	Kansas City vs. Detroit
June 29	Detroit at Birmingham
	Kansas City vs. Memphis
July 4	Birmingham vs. Detroit
	Memphis vs. Kansas City



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The New York Times (by Meyer Liebowitz)

THAT TORE IT: John King of Lincoln High School breaks tape in 1,000-yard run in championships at Garden. Donald Metz, Episcopal Academy, was second in run yesterday.

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Jones sets world mark in hurdles

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CHICAGO — (ANP) — Miler Ron Delaney and hurdler Hayes Jones matched accomplishments in the 22nd annual Chicage Daily News Relays at the International Amphitheater here last Friday, each establishing a new world indoor record.

Delaney ran the Bankers Mile in 4:03.4, eclipsing the 4:03.6 world record set by Gunnar Nielson of Denmark in 1955.

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NO LESS dazzling was the feat accomplished by Jones of Eastern Michigan College. The lithe, 19-year-old speedster and current AAU champion, won the 60-yard high hurdles in the world record breaking time of seven seconds flat.

He shattered the old world mark of :07.1 set by Harrison Dillard of Baldwin-Wallace College in 1948, '49, '55 and '56. Milt Campbell, former Indiana University star, also has a :07.1 claim pending.

Jones improved with each heat. He won the qualifying heat by beating out Joel McNulty of the University of Chicago track club with a clocking of :07.2, then set the world mark in the final.

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ALTHOUGH Jones was the lone tan star to set a world mark at the meet, he was not alone in the victory column. Ira Murchison won virtually as he pleased in the 50-yard dash.

Charley Jenkins won the Frank Hill 600-yard run in 1:11.3.

Charley "Deacon" Jones of Iowa University won the two-mile run to the cheers of the 10,136 fans present, who urged him on. The easy-striding Jones bested Max Truex of Southern California and Leonard Edelen of Minnesota.

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IN THE high jump event, Phil Reavis of Villanova stirred a controversy when his original 6:11" jump was disallowed. This would have eclipsed the world indoor record of 6 feet, 10¾ inches set by Kenneth Wiesner in 1953.

The controversy arose after officials in the pit had called the 6' 11" leap, only to have their decisions reversed by the officials judge.

Selected To Head Five Man Squad

Major Liscomb To Pilot U. S. AAU Track Team In East

Journal & Guide, p. 16 March 15

FORT LEE, Va. — The Sports Officer at the QM Training Command, Fort Lee, has been selected as one of two coach-managers to pilot a pair of United States AAU track teams on a State Department sponsored goodwill tour of the Far East, starting this month.

Major Jesse R. Liscomb will head a five-man team, labeled

MAJOR LISCOMB
AAU Coach

team "A" and is slated to leave the United States on the Far East tour next week. The team he heads will consist of two military persons and three civilians.

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DURING THE month-long tour, Major Liscomb and the team will travel all over the Far East visiting Burma, Cambodia, Japan, Korea, Laos, Malaya, Singapore, Thailand, Honolulu and Viet-Nam.

Purpose of the tour is to build up goodwill between track and field teams in the countries visited and the USA. The team will also stage exhibition track meets, conduct clinics and show to our allies in the friendly countries how USA track and field teams are.

MAJOR LISCOMB is well qualified to serve on his present assignment. He has been coaching track and field teams in the U.S. Army for the past ten years. During 1955-1957 Liscomb was coach of the second U.S. Army track and field teams, he served as coach of the USA Olympic team in 1952 and 1956 and has helped to train world famous runners Johnny Woodruff, Tom Carey, Rod Richard and Joe Papierre.

A native of New York City where his mother, Mrs. Ada Liscomb still lives at 162-15 112th Road, Jamaica, Long Island, Major Liscomb was an outstanding star during his high school days and served with the famous New York Pioneer track and field team.

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HE ENTERED on active Army duty in 1941, served in both the Pacific and European theaters of operations and prior to his arrival at Fort Lee in 1954, was Special Services, Sports and Exchange officer at Camp Wood in Japan.

He has served with and played sports in some of the nation's outstanding Army units, including duties with the 82nd Airborne Division, the 369th Coast Artillery Unit, and the 3513th QM Truck Company.

PRIOR TO entering the service, he was employed by the City of New York in the Electric, Gas, and Waterworks department.

Major Liscomb is a graduate of George Washington High School, New York and he attended City College, New York. He has also attended and graduated from the Officers Candidate School, the Airborne School, the Associate Officers' Infantry Course and the Motor Maintenance and Food Service Supervisory courses, all at Fort Benning, Ga.

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MAJOR LISCOMB is married to the former Miss Corrie Sherard of 80 Chapel Road, Atlanta, Ga. They are parents of three children, 16-year old Jesse Jr., nine-year old Baxter M. and three-year-old Jerome C. They now make their home at 2745 Home avenue, Bronx, N. Y.

The five-man track team will leave from California on their tour of the Far East by air flight and is scheduled to return by the same route one month later.

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NATIONAL CHAMPS FOUR TIMES—Capt. Isabelle Daniels, center, and Coach Edward S. Temple of Tennessee State University's "Tigerettes" team receive their fourth national AAU indoor championship trophy from AAU national chairman, Frances Kaszubski, right, at Akron's (Ohio) Goodyear Gym.

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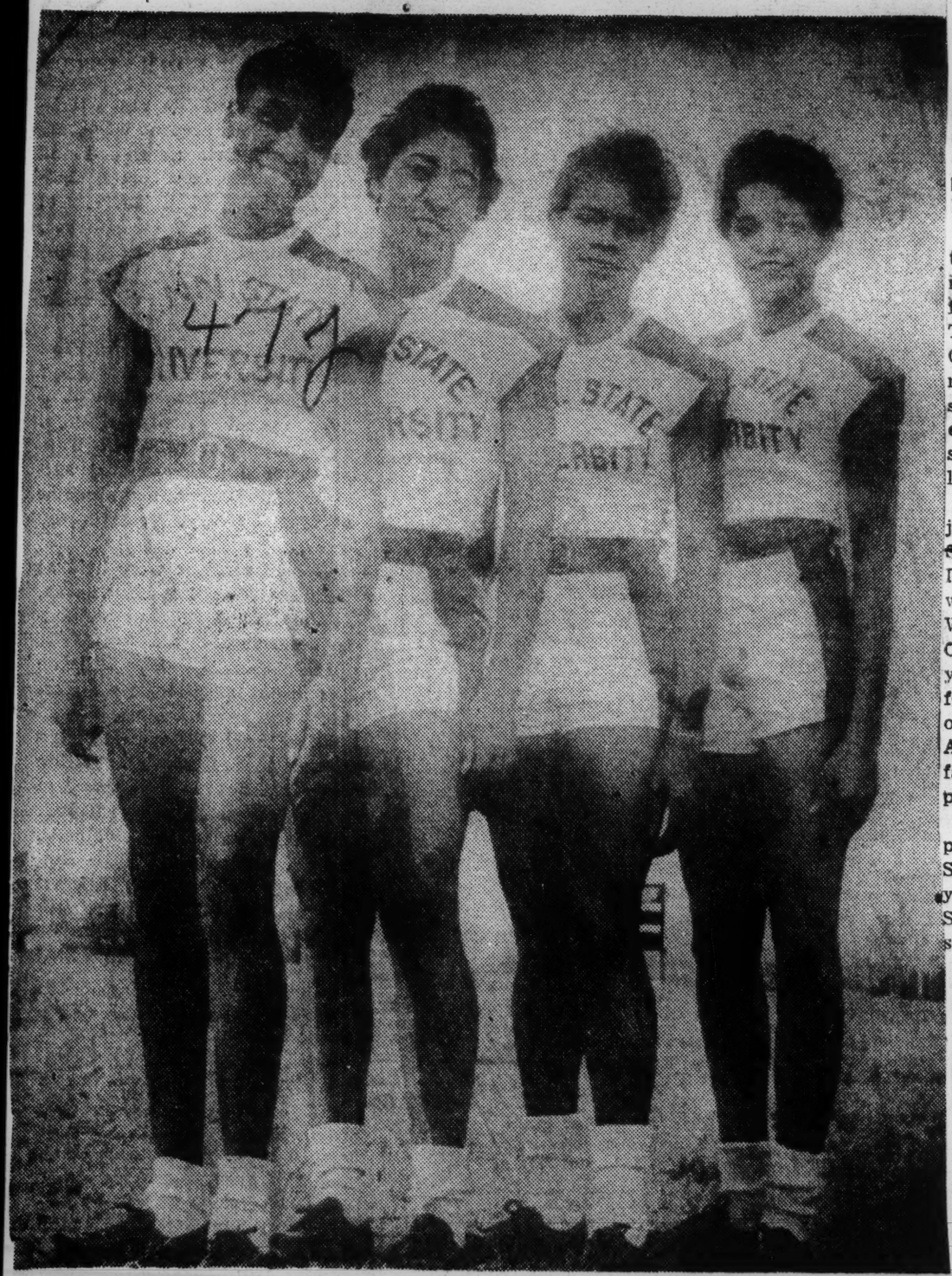
Meet The Champs



COACH EDWARD TEMPLE'S 440 Relay team olympic stars of Tennessee State University broke their own record at Akron, Ohio's AAU sponsored National Indoor Track and Field Championship on March 22. The Tigerbells (l to r) are Lucinda Williams, Margaret Matthews, Isabelle Daniels and Barbara Jones.

Photo by Clanton III

Tigerbelles Triumph In AAU Track Events

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BY EARL S CLANTON, III
(Special Wire)

AKRON, Ohio — Running on the boards for the first time in their career, two Tigerbelles flashed into track stardom as Tennessee State University's Olympic studded Tigerbelles nailed down their fourth consecutive National AAU women's track and field championship before a scant crowd here last Saturday night.

Coach Edward S Temple's jet assisted Freshmen Sprinters Schiley Crowder and Annie Lois Smith charmed the fans with two brilliant track feats. Willowy coffee brown hurdler Crowder blazed over the 50-yard hurdles in 7 seconds flat for a new AAU record, just one-tenth off Nancy Phillip's American mark and one-tenth faster than the 7.1 AAU mark posted by Phillips in 1953.

Long-striding Smith used perfect form in besting veteran Stella Walsh in the new 440-yard run. A last minute entry, Smith upset the pre-meet dopesters in the initial running of the quarter-mile for women by going the distance in 1:07. Smith, off with the crack of the gun, built an early lead and maintained a murderous pace to eclipse the field.

Olympic star Isabelle Daniels, meet high pointer, 50, 220, and relay and teammate Barbara Jones 100 and two relays accounted for six of Tennessee's 13 gold Medals. Coach Temple's Tigerbelles collected 47 points for the team trophy winning 21 medals and bossing every sprint and relay.

Southern Pacific was second with 13 points on Earlene Brown's two record shattering events. Jolly Olympic field events Brown battered the Basketball hrown by 30 feet with a 135 feet- 9-inch toss. Again in the shot put Brown bettered Adela Tischler 1956 mark by 5 feet 13-4 inches with a 49-fot 6-inch heave. New York P A L was third with 10 points.

Temple used a two-event feature spot in the Cleveland staged Knights of Columbus meet last Friday night as a tune up race for the Tigerbelles. In the first Women's event run during the 18-year K of C meet History, three Tigerbelles,, Jones, Daniels and Martha Hudson thrilled one, two, three in a 5.8 half the 9,826 fans as they finished century race. Tennessee's Quartet displayed perfect baton passing while talking first by a 40-yard margin in a four-lap relay.

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Negroes Dominate Chicago Relays

By Al Pritchett

Negroes dominated the 22nd Annual Daily News Relays at the International Amphitheatre.

The outstanding performance by a Negro performer was the swift bit of goose-stepping that Hayes Jones of Eastern Michigan did on the 60 yard high hurdles. He ousted Nebraska's Keith Gardner to the tape in the world's record time of 7.0 sec.

Jones was out of the blocks like a jack-in-the-box, as was Gardner, who had sped his semi-final heat in the fine time of 7.1 sec. which was the previous meet record. But at the second hurdle, Jones moved ahead by a slight margin. He held that margin until they hit the tape. Elias Gilbert of Winston Salem College was third.

Chicago's Ira Murchison, now a student at Western Michigan College retained his title in the 50 yard dash. He had a tough time of it, though. He had to fight off the combined bids of Ed Collymore, a swift young man from Villanova, winner of many of the Eastern meets; and Ross Johnson representing the Chicago University Track Club.

They were all off the blocks in good style, but Ira got a slight lead at the 40 yard mark and he never gave it up, though Johnson was coming strong at the end. The winner's time was 5.3 sec.; Collymore was second and Johnson was third.

Charlie Jenkins of Villanova hung on to an early lead to win the 600 yard run. He thus retained the title he won last year. He surpassed his time of last year by .3 sec. with a clocking of 1:11.3. Josh Culbreth, the world record holder in the 440 yard high hurdles was third in the race.

In the high school division, Wendell Phillips broke a 16-year record in the 8-lap relay when they out-hoofed Dunbar, Lane and Austin in that order.

Their time of 2:23.8 was 1.3 sec. better than the old mark set by DuSable in 1942.

The Phillip's team took the lead at the outset of the race and never were close to being caught. They literally ran away from the opposition. The members of that fine team were John Ellington, Rudolph Morgan, Larry Streeter and Henry White.

Charlie Jones, the young man from the university of Iowa continues to give the lie to the oft-spoken statement that Negroes don't make good distance men. He defeated Max Truex and a good field of runners in the 2-mile run in the fine time of 9:04.3

Arnie Sowell, the fabulous middle distance runner of a couple years ago now in the army made a great effort to retain his 1000 yard title, but a lack of training and no prior competition lead to his defeat by Dave Scurlock of North Carolina.

Phil Reavis was the victim of poor official action when he was informed that he was jumping at 6'11". He made the jump, was mobbed by well-wishers; and jubilance prevailed. He was then informed, after a measurement that should have been made prior to the jump, that he had cleared only 6'10". After this, Phil just went through the motions — he was hurt; and the desire was gone.

In the race that most everyone had come to see, Ron Delaney, the quick-stepping, purely European-type runner from Villanova proved that there is no one in this country who can beat him in the mile run. If there is, he is not running the mile at this time. Delaney set a new indoor World record; and it was pitiful to see how easily he did it. He was not pressed the slightest.

All the time, during the race, he dallied along in third or fourth place, and never seemed to mind the fact that he was behind. He had no need to worry. None of the men in the race had ever come close to the time that Delaney is capable of.

With little more than a lap to go he cut loose with a fabulous kick —in an effort to set the record; he could have run easily and won.

His time was 4:03.4 sec.; and was .2 better than the previous world record by Gunnar Nielsen of Denmark.

Annex five crowns in Star Games

Mishap mars hurdles; Murchison is halted

Sat. 2-1-58

BY SAM LACY

WASHINGTON—Tan athletes blew warning trumpets for indoor track meets here Saturday night by grabbing five individual championships and three relay titles at the annual Evening Star Games at the Armory.

This was the final prep for the more celebrated meets which get under way this weekend with the Boston AA Games and then move on to New York for the February series of major events at Madison Square Garden.

Capturing individual crowns were Ira Murchison of Western Michigan College, in the 70-yard dash; Josh Culbreath of Quantico Marines, in the 600; Harry Bright of the New York Pioneer Club, in the 1,000; Elias Gilbert of Winston-Salem Teachers College, in the high hurdles, and George Dennis of the Shanahan Catholic Club, in the high jump.

Relay titles went to Morgan State College in the featured mile test, and to North Carolina College freshmen and Virginia State College in class events.

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ALTHOUGH MURCHISON copped the 70-yard dash in the classy time of 7.1 seconds, the diminutive ex-GI was beated in the 80 and 100-yard events of the Star's sprint series. He bowed to Dave Sime, the Duke University flash whom Ira dethroned here a year ago.

The defeat in the 80 marked Murchison's first setback in an indoor meet since 1956. Since that time, the co-holder of the world record for 100 meters had run up a string of 15 consecutive victories.

A bullet away from the starting blocks, Murchison won the 70 by a scant two yards, but Sime was closing on him at the wire. In the two later races, the long-striding Duke ace was able to overcome his rival's earlier advantage.

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THE VICTORY for Culbreath was registered in come-on style, the former Morgan captain and Olympian staging a blazing finish to overhaul Joe Gaffney, of Shanahan, who had moved to the fore on the gun lap and loomed as a certain winner.

The time of Josh, 1:14.2, was two and two-tenths seconds off the meet record, set by another monster, Arthur Wint of Jamaica, here in 1951. Reggie Pearman, National AAU outdoor quarter-mile champion, was fourth in this event.

Brig. withstood a gallant bid by Lionel Stevens of St. John's in order to take down the 1,000-yard event in an unimpressive 2:15.3, and thus annex his first victory in four tries here.

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FOR GILBERT, the timber specialist from Winston-Salem, the win in the 70-yard high hurdles in 8.4 was his second in as many nights. On Friday, the New Jersey-born Ram had edged national decathlon titlist Charley Pratt in the Philadelphia Inquirer fence test.

It could be, however, that it took a spill to preserve the victory for Gilbert. Willie Stevens of Tennessee State, made a race of it every step of the journey but took a tumble after tipping his last hurdle. His momentum carried him across the finish line but he was falling as he reached the tape.

Sliding under the wire, Stevens looked much like he made it there first, but because he did not breast the mesh as the rules require, the judges picked Gilbert first. A consultation resulted in a second-place award to the fleet Nashville youngster.

This was an all-tan money finish, incidentally. Francis Washington, Gilbert's teammate at Winston-Salem, followed Stevens across.

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DENNIS, THE ex-Morgan leaper now under Shanahan Catholic Club sponsorship, though still in school, cleared 6 feet, 7½ inches to barely miss tying the meet mark of 6 feet, 7 5/8 inches, established by Charles Holding of the Army in 1955.

Eyebrows were raised when the winning height was changed from 6 feet, 8 inches to the "official" 6-7½. The form mark, which would have b a new record, was announ at the completion of the ju and the crowd of 5,300 was ticipating a try for 6 feet, inches by Dennis. Then the reversal was reported over the public address system, and the 6-7½ recorded.

MORGAN'S CRACK mile relay team of Ben Rogers, Herb Hollen, Gerry Harrison and Nick Ellis was an easy winner of the main Variety Club series in 3:27.7.

Virginia State annexed the Class B team race in 3:36.5, besting Howard University and Montclair Teachers College in that order. The Trojan foursome lined up: Randall Davis, Andy Burch, Harold Amacker and William McClinton.

U. S. Track, Field Aces Eye All-Out Assault On Records

By MARION E. JACKSON
SNS Sportswriter

U. S. track and field competition will blossom out all over in the next few weeks following one of the coldest and wettest spring seasons in more than a decade.

The cinder sport virtually grinded to a halt since the advent of spring as speedy thinclads were driven indoors by frigid winds and driving rain. In Saturdays to track and field coaches the weather to take an upturn for the better and then gunsights can be set on man's endless obssession with racing against time.

Daily World

Since the '58 track session got underway March 29 with the Florida Relays, thin-legged gazelles have sparkled at the South Carolina Invitational and the Prairie View Relays.

P.S.—

Now an all-out assault is due on the record books at such meets as the Wiley Relays, Alabama State Relays, Penn Relays, Drake Relays and the Tuskegee Carnival before the windbreakers go all-out for conference laurels

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T-Day for Deep South Mercurymen will come off May 9-10 when the SIAC championships are scheduled in Atlanta, the Midwestern Athletic Association at Baltimore, and the Southwest Conference Championships at Baton Rouge.

The glitter meets prior to the conference spectaculars are the Penn Relays at Philadelphia and the Drake at Des Monies, both scheduled for April 25-26.

APRIL 18-19

Wiley Relays, Wiley College, Marshall, Texas

Gulf Coast Athletic Conference Track and Field Meet, Tougaloo Christian College, Tougaloo, Miss.

University of Kansas Relays, Lawrence, Kansas.

Atlanta, Ga.

APRIL 19

Alabama State Relays, Alabama State College, Montgomery, Ala

Winston Salem Relays Carnival Winston - Salem Teachers College, Winston - Salem, N. C.

APRIL 25-26

Drake Relays, Drake University Des Monies, Iowa.

Penn Relays, Franklin Field Philadelphia, Penna.

South Central Athletic Conference Track and Field Meet, Alcorn College, Alcorn, Miss.

MAY 2-3

Tuskegee Relays and Carnival Tuskegee Institute, Tuskagee, Ala.

10th Annual Carnival Relays, North Carolina College, Durham, N. C.

Harris College Invitational, St Louis, Mo.

MAY 9-10

Southern Intercollegiate Athletic

Cold And Rain Chill Dixie Windbreakers During Early Drills

Conference Track and Field Championships, Clark, Morehouse, Morris Brown, hosts, Atlanta University Athletic Field, Atlanta, Ga.

Southwest Athletic Conference Track and Field Championships, Southern University, Baton Rouge, La.

37th Annual Central Intercollegate Track and Field Championships, Morgan State College, Baltimore, Md.

Midwestern Athletic Association Track and Field Championships, Central State College, Wilberforce, O.

MAY 16

Coliseum Relays, Los Angeles Coliseum, Los Angeles, Calif.

MAY 17

Coralina AAU Championships, Raleigh, N. C.

Texas AAU Track and Field Championships.

JUNE 6-7

National Association of Intercollegiate Athletic Association Track and Field Championships, San Diego, Calif.

University of Houston Invitational "Meet of Champions, Houston Texas.

Compton College Invitational Meet, Compton Junior College, Compton, Calif.

Morgan, Manhattan Threats at Relays

Bears eye 3 titles; Villanova four favored

By SAM LACY

PHILADELPHIA — Coach Eddie Hurt and his Morgan State College trackmen are contemplating wins in two — possibly three — of the featured relays of the 64th Annual Penn Relays Carnival at Franklin Field here this weekend.

The Golden Bears, fresh from sparkling victories in the quarter and half-mile tests the past two weekends, are favorites to repeat in these events at the two-day track and field extravaganza that promises to parade over 3,000 young athletes in competition come Friday and Saturday.

Eddie Hurt's youngsters captured the 440 and 880-yard relay races at the Quantico (Va.) Games April 11-12. They were back to score again at New York's Randalls Island in the Queens-Iona Relays of April 18-19.

Baltimore

THIS WEEKEND, however, they can look for some really tough sledding, what with the crack North Texas foursome and the East's speedy Cornell University quartet, anchored by Bo Robinson, on hand to challenge.

Hurt, in all probability, will go with Larry Wilson, Nick Ellis, Bob McMurray and Bobby Gordon in the 440, and with Vern Keller, McMurray, Ellis and Gordon in the half-mile journey.

The Bears can be dangerous in the mile relay, as well. But in here, fleet foursomes from Manhattan College (winner in record time at the Queens-Iona meet), Villanova, the defending champion, and North Texas (with a recent 3:14.1) may be looking down the Bears' throats all the way.

Villanova, incidentally, will have two tansters — Ed Collymore and Charley Stead — in her mile lineup; Pittsburgh, also to be considered, will be anchored by Mel Barnwell, and Indiana, still another team that is not out of it, will run with Berry Williams and Hal Caffey.

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CHIEF AMONG the featured athletes in the special events category is Gregory Bell, the Olympic broad jump champion from the University of Indiana.

The marvelous Hoosier was chosen the outstanding athlete in the 63rd Relay Carnival a year ago for his performances in winning the broad jump and invitation 100-yard dash as well as helping Indiana place in the sprint relays.

The field in the special events is shaping up as the strongest in recent years, according to meet director Ken Doherty who foresees close competition in 11 of the 12 events.

Bell, according to Doherty, stands head and shoulders over the broad jumpers and the director of the carnival not only expects Bell to break the Relay Carnival standard for the third straight year (it is now 26 feet, 1½ inches), but thinks Greg may make an assault on the world mark of 26 feet, 8¼ inches, set by Jesse Owens at the Big Ten meet in 1935.

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AN OFT-FOUGHT battle between two perennial rivals in the high jump event, may find another tan competitor or two in the thick of things.

Villanova's Phil Reavis and George Dennis, ex-Morgan State star, have been locked in a winter long competition on the boards. It is expected that they will furnish the major interest at the jump pit, but both will do well to watch Charley Stead, a Reavis teammate, and Bob Barksdale, another product of Eddie Hurt at Morgan College.

Reavis has the best mark of the indoor season, having cleared 6 feet, 10¼ inches at Chicago in March.

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ONE OF the best shows will come in the high hurdles where Elias Gilbert, brilliant timber topper from Winston - Salem Teachers and a former New Jersey high school champion, rules as favorite to replace Lee Calhoun.

Gilbert, runner up for National AAU indoor hurdles honors, had a successful indoor campaign, winning just about everything except the national title. He scored a solid triumph in the Philadelphia Inquirer meet and then the following night sped to victory in the Washington Star meet.

Competition for Gilbert will come from Indiana's Willie May, Big Ten indoor and outdoor champion, and his teammate at Indiana, Tom Campbell, brother of the Olympic decathlon champion.

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LaSalle's Davis Wins 4 Area Track Events; St. Joseph's Keeps Title

By HERB GOOD

Inquirer Reporter

WEST CHESTER, Pa., May 10.—In a glittering Conference farewell that surpassed all previous feats for individual brillance, Ira Davis, 22-year-old LaSalle College captain, romped away with four titles, but wasn't able to prevent St. Joseph's College from retaining its Middle Atlantic States Collegiate Athletic Conference track championship on Wayne Field today.

The Hawks, producing four individual champions and scoring in all but the 100 yard dash, kept their title by outscoring LaSalle, 57-47½, as Lafayette finished third with 39. Davis was LaSalle's only individual winner.

The swift-moving Davis, who represented the U. S. in the hop, step and jump in the 1956 Olympics won the 100, 220 and broad jump for the third straight year and added the 440 for good measure in the greatest two-day exhibition of his career.

APPEARS TO FLOAT

Running so relaxed, smoothly and effortlessly, that he appeared to float over the cinders, Davis came within one-tenth of the world record when he took the century in 0:09.4 after winning the 440 in the new record time of 0:46.9. Then he capped off the sunny afternoon with an 0:20.5 verdict in the furlong.

Just as excessive wind kept him from records when he ran the 220 in the world record time of 20 seconds flat and the 100 in 0:09.6 in heat victories the day before, Davis likewise was denied marks in the two short dashes today. There was an 11 miles an hour wind when he ran the 100 final and six when he waltzed away with the 220.

Records are not recognized anytime the wind blows faster than 4:473 mph.

HANDICAP AND HELP

But the wind was just as much a handicap as it was helpful when Davis scored his 440 victory at the expense of St. Joseph's Jim Gavaghan, one of three champions who were dethroned in the well run, highly entertaining meet.

This was expected to be Davis' toughest race, but it turned out to be as easy as the rest. He was off the starting block like a shot and had opened a 10 yard lead before they hit the first turn. He actually eased up in the last 15 yards and still broke the tape eight yards in front as he erased Gavaghan's mark of 0:48.9 set at Lancaster last year.

His time also wiped out the track record of 0:49.9 set by West Chester's Bruce Shenk two years ago.

Davis also beat Gavaghan by the same margin in the 220 and he finished three yards ahead of Lee Oldershaw, Lehigh, in the century. In all, Davis won eight races in two days and in addition made two leaps in the broad jump, winning it handily at 22 feet 10 inches.

VAULT RECORD FALLS

Shenk, by the way, accounted for one of the four other meet records when he won the 880 by inches from Earl Jefferson, LaSalle, and Jim Baldwin, St. Joseph's, in 1:54.0.

Delaware's Cliff Browning won the pole vault with a record leap of 13 feet, 2½ inches a good hour after all the other events had been completed, and Gil Brinckerhoff, Lafayette, set the other standard with a leap of 6 feet 1 inch in the high jump.

Biggest upset of the day was provided by Wight Martindale, 19-year-old sophomore from Lehigh, who beat defending champion Jim O'Donnell and Jim Baldwin, of St. Joseph's, by a mere foot in a thrilling blanket finish in the mile run.

STANDS OFF BID

It was only the third competitive mile for the Lehigh youth, who took the lead on the backstretch just before they went into the turn and then out-fought the two Hawks in the stretch as he was caught in 4:22.8.

O'Donnell also was the favorite in the 880, an event in which he was disqualified after finishing first last year, but he became ill on the last lap and didn't finish.

FARRELL KEEPS TITLE

However, Bob Farrell, of St. Joseph's, retained his two-mile crown, beating Lafayette's Dick Haines by 25 yards in 9:42.0, and Gene Delaney, Jim Morris and John Brand also contributed firsts to the Hawk victory.

Delaney, who set a school mark of 0:14.9 in a semi-final heat victory, created a mild surprise by nosing out LaSalle's Al Turner by a foot in the 120 high hurdles final in 15 seconds flat. Delaney injured his leg slightly in the broad jump and as a result could place no better than fifth in the 220 low hurdles, which was won by Lafayette's Dave Baird in 0:24.5.

EXCELLENT HEAVE

Morris captured the discus with a heave of 145 feet, 5 inches after finishing second to Lafayette's Ron Craig in the shot put. Brand, returning to competition after a year's idleness, regained the javelin title he held two years ago with a toss of 201 feet, 8 inches. Craig was second and defender Pete Kroon, of Swarthmore, was third.

Brand's heave easily surpassed Kroon's toss of 186-8 of a year ago when the Conference sponsored the meet for the first time, but it was far from the 228-½ top Middle Atlantic performance set by LaSalle's Al Cantello in 1955 when the Middle Atlantic Collegiate Track and Field Association conducted the championships.

SHOTPUT—1, Ron Craig, Lafayette; 2, James Morris, St. Joseph's; 3, Bill Reilly, LaSalle; 4, Gary Nielson, Lafayette; 5, Boyd Ralph, Haverford. 48 ft., 11½-in.

MILE—1, Wight Martindale, Lehigh; 2, Jim O'Donnell, St. oseph's; 3, Jim Baildwin, St. Joseph's; 4, Earl Jefferson, LaSalle; 5, Bob Hagarty, St. Joseph's. 4:22.8.

There may be just a glint of triumph in the face of West Chester's Bruce Shenk (left) and a suggestion of disappointment in the face of LaSalle's Earl Jefferson at finish of Middle Atlantic AC half-mile at West Chester.

440—1, Ira Davis, LaSalle; 2, Jim Gavagahan, St. Joseph's; 3, Ed Skeat, Swarthmore; 4, Bruce Shenk, West Chester; 5, Jerry Butler, LaSalle. 0:46.9. (Meet record. Old record 0:48.9 by Gavagahan, St. Joseph's, 1957; New field record. Old record, 0:49.9, by Shenk, West Chester, 1956.)

120-HIGH HURDLES—1, Gene Delaney, St. Joseph's; 2, Al Turner, LaSalle; 3, Dave Baird, Lafayette; 4, Ed Halteman, Lafayette; 5, Hugh Ogden, Haverford. 0:15.0.

100—1, I. Davis, LaSalle; 2, Lee Oldershaw, Lehigh; 3, Malcolm Goggin, Haverford; 4, Jim Apple, Gettysburg; 5, Stan Bochenski, Lafayette. 0:09.4.

JAVELIN—1, John Brand, St. Joseph's; 2, Craig, Lafayette; 3, Peter Kroon, Swarthmore; 4, Dick Johnson, Juniata; 5, Benson Klinger, Delaware. 201 ft., 8 in. (Meet record: old record, 186-8, Peterkroon, Swarthmore, 1957).

TWO MILE—1, Bob Farrell, St. Joseph's; 2, Dick Haines, Lafayette; 3, Joe Sloan, St. Joseph's; 4, Hal Thorsen, St. Joseph's; 5, Mervin Bryan, West Chester. 9:42.0.

DISCUS—1, James Morris, St. Joseph's; 2, Gary Nielson, Lafayette; 3, Bob Taylor, LaSalle; 4, Jack Steele, LaSalle; 5, Gordon Gibson, Lafayette. 145 ft., 5-in.

220—1, Davis, LaSalle; 2, Gavaghan, St. Joseph's; 3, Goggin, Haverford; 4, Oldershaw, Lehigh; 5, Watson, LaSalle. 0:20.5.

POLE VAULT—1, Clifton Browning, Delaware; 2, Bradley Breneman, Albright; 3, tie among Alfred Bendell, Dickinson; Dan Hutchinson, West Chester; Andy Green, Haverford; Swan, Haverford; Roberts Davis, Dickinson and Bill Furey, St. Joseph's. 13 ft., 2½-in. (New meet record. Old record 12 ft., 7½-in., Browning, Delaware, 1957.)

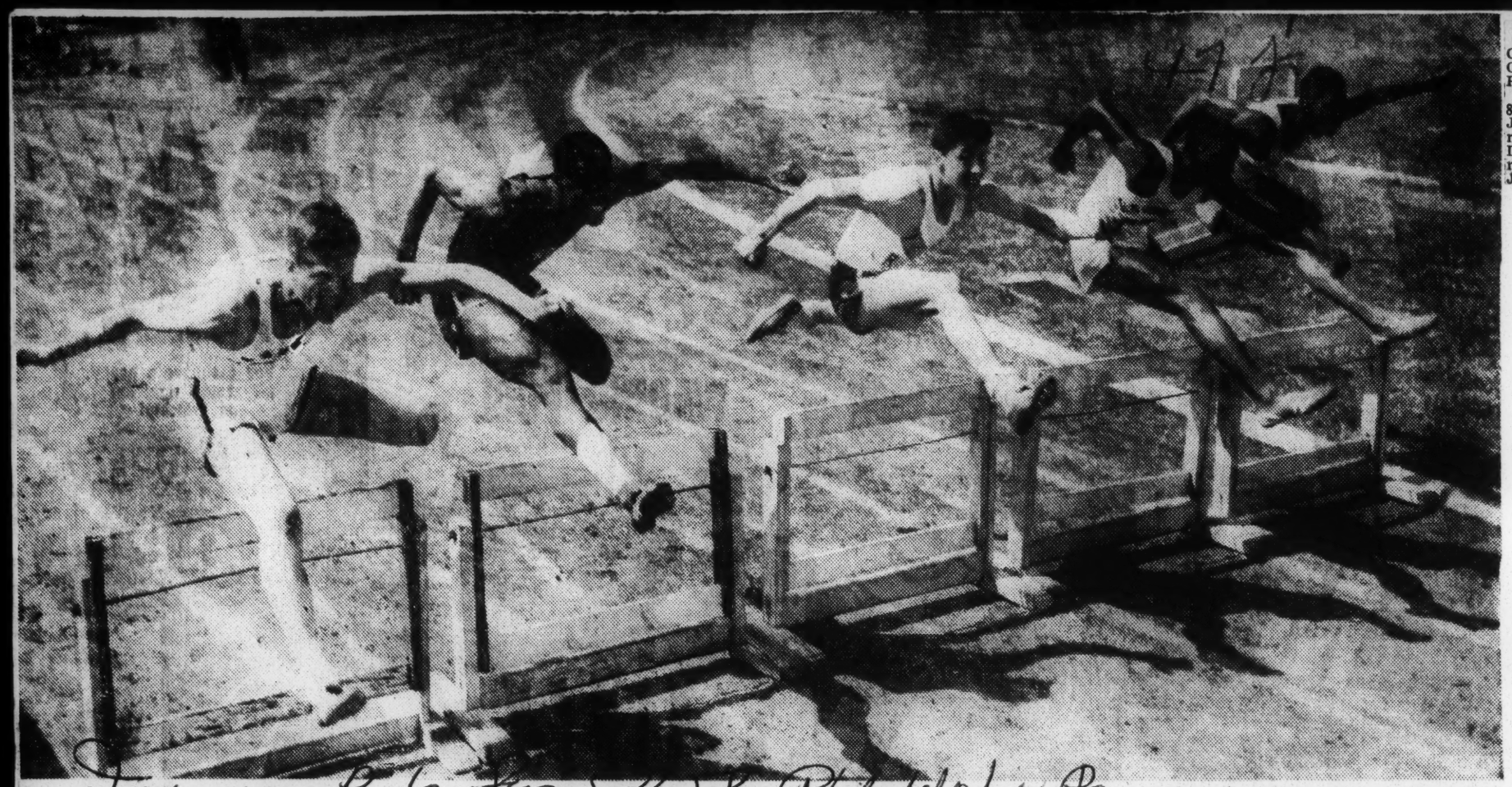
880—1, Shenk, West Chester; 2, Jefferson, LaSalle; 3, Baldwin, St. Joseph's; 4, Tom Lynaugh, LaSalle; 5, Mike Bradley, St. Joseph's; 1:54.0. (New meet record, old record, 1:56.4, Earl Eldridge, LaSalle, 1957).

HIGH JUMP—1, Gilbert Brinckerhoff, Lafayette; 2, tie, Charles Smith, Albright, Fred Cassidy, LaSalle; 4, tie, Dick Adams, St. Joseph's, Paul Briegel, Dan Hutchinson, West Chester. 6 ft., 1 in. (New meet record, old record 5 ft., 9 ins., Brickerhoff, Lafayette, 1957).

220 LOW HURDLES—1, David Bair, Lafayette; 2, Stan Musser, Gettysburg; 3, Halteman, Lafayette; 4, Turner, LaSalle; 5, Delaney, St. Joseph's. 0:24.5.

BROAD JUMP—1, I. Davis, LaSalle; 2, Adams, St. Joseph's; 3, Norman Rumpf, Lehigh; 4, Smith, Albright; 5, Delaney, St. Joseph's. 22 ft., 10 ins.

TEAM SCORING—St. Joseph's 57; LaSalle 57½; Lafayette 39; Lehigh 12; West Chester 11; Albright 9½; Haverford 7; Delaware 6; Gettysburg 6; Swarthmore 6; Juniata 2; Dickinson 2. None scoring teams: Bucknell, Lebanon Valley; Muhlenberg, PMC, Temple, Ursinus.



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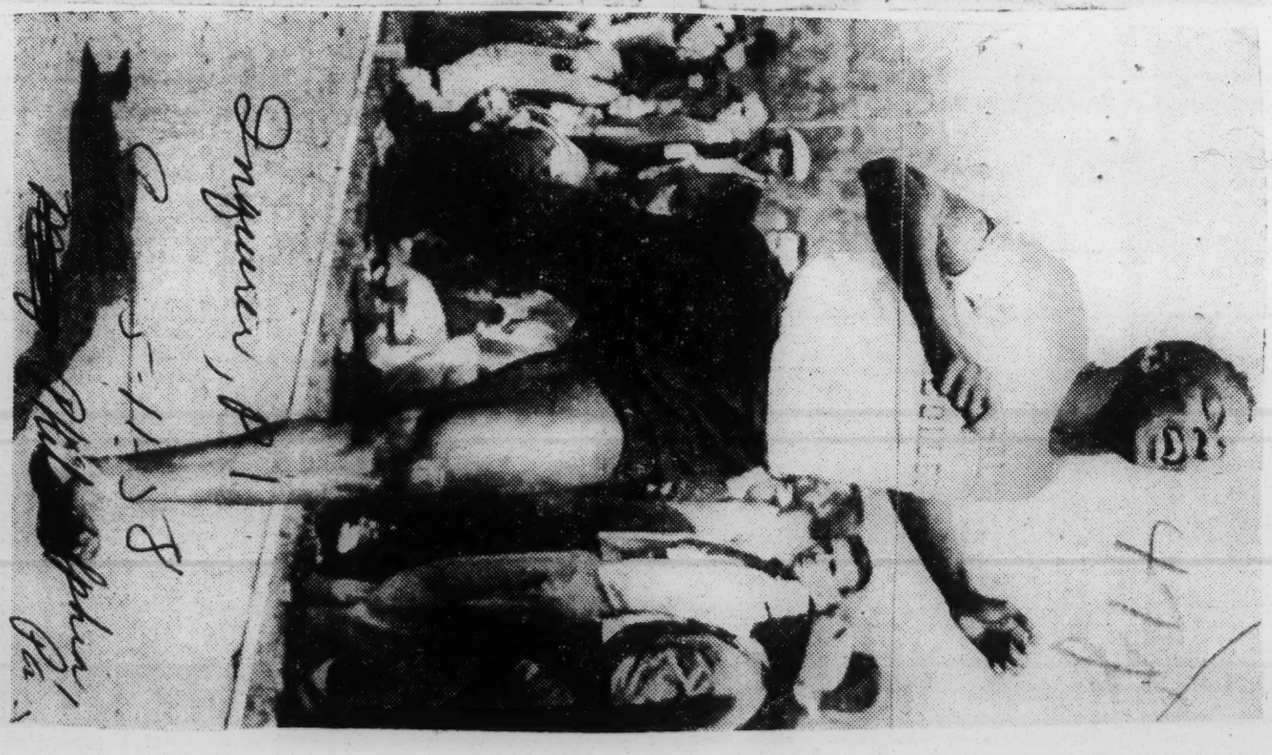
Everything is going smooth as Lower Merion High's Barry Kline (left) clears obstacle en route to victory yesterday in 180-yard low hurdles Class A event in Suburban League track championships at Norristown. Others, from left: Robert Davis, Abington, who finished second; Frank Potter, Ridley Park, third; Bernard Jackson, Haverford High, and Richard Hearn, also of Lower Merion. Jackson later fell in taking hurdle, and Hearn was disqualified. Lower Merion retained title.

FRESHMAN EVENTS

MILE—1, Dick Flint, LaSalle; 2, Charles Del Rossi, LaSalle; 3, iJm Crawford, St. Joseph's; 4, Ron Tasket, PMC; 5, George Rust, Delaware. 4:31.1.

MEDLEY MILE RELAY (440, 220, 220, 880)—1, West Chester (Philip Reed, Don Jackson, Viscount Nelson, Calvin Coleman); 2, St. Joseph's; 3, Lafayette; 4, Delaware; 5, Swarthmore. 3:36.7. (Meet record; old record, West Chester, (Dowd, Jones, Pettross, Rubincam). 3:41.1, 1957.



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LaSalle College's Ira Davis roars home first in 440 to win first of four titles yesterday in Middle Atlantic championships at West Chester State Teachers. Another picture on Page Six.

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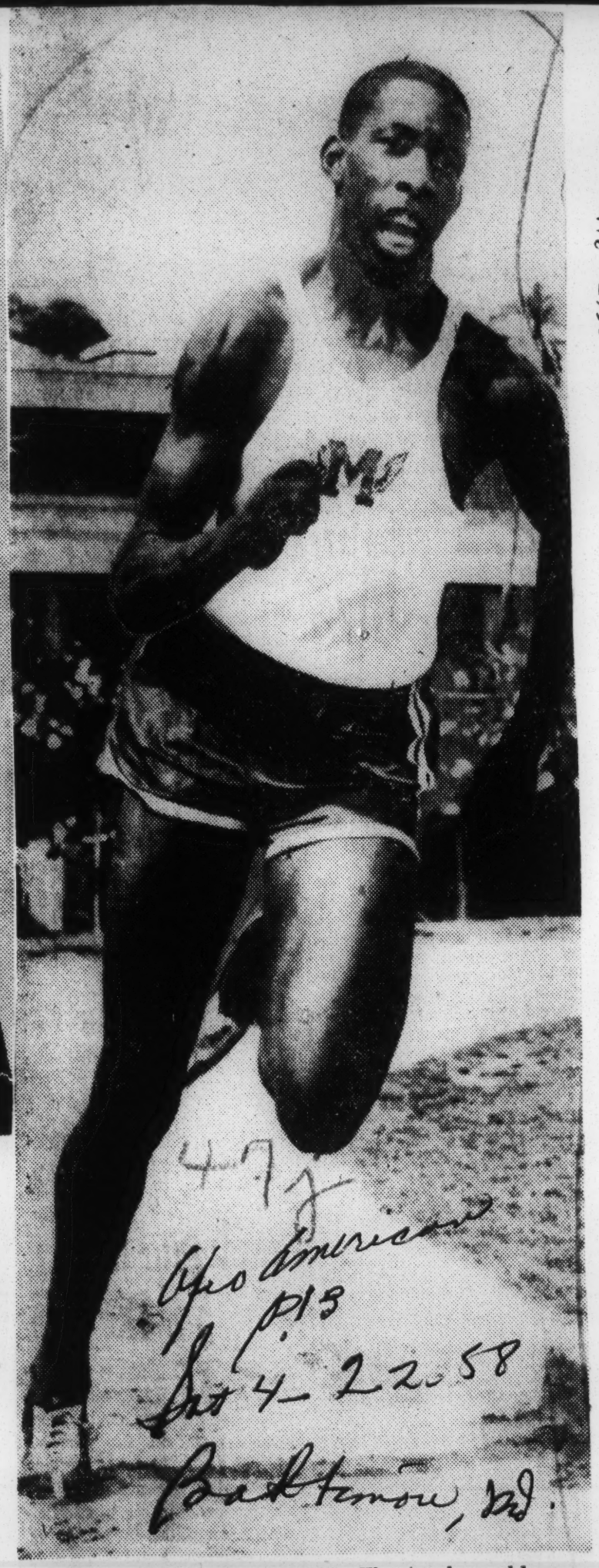
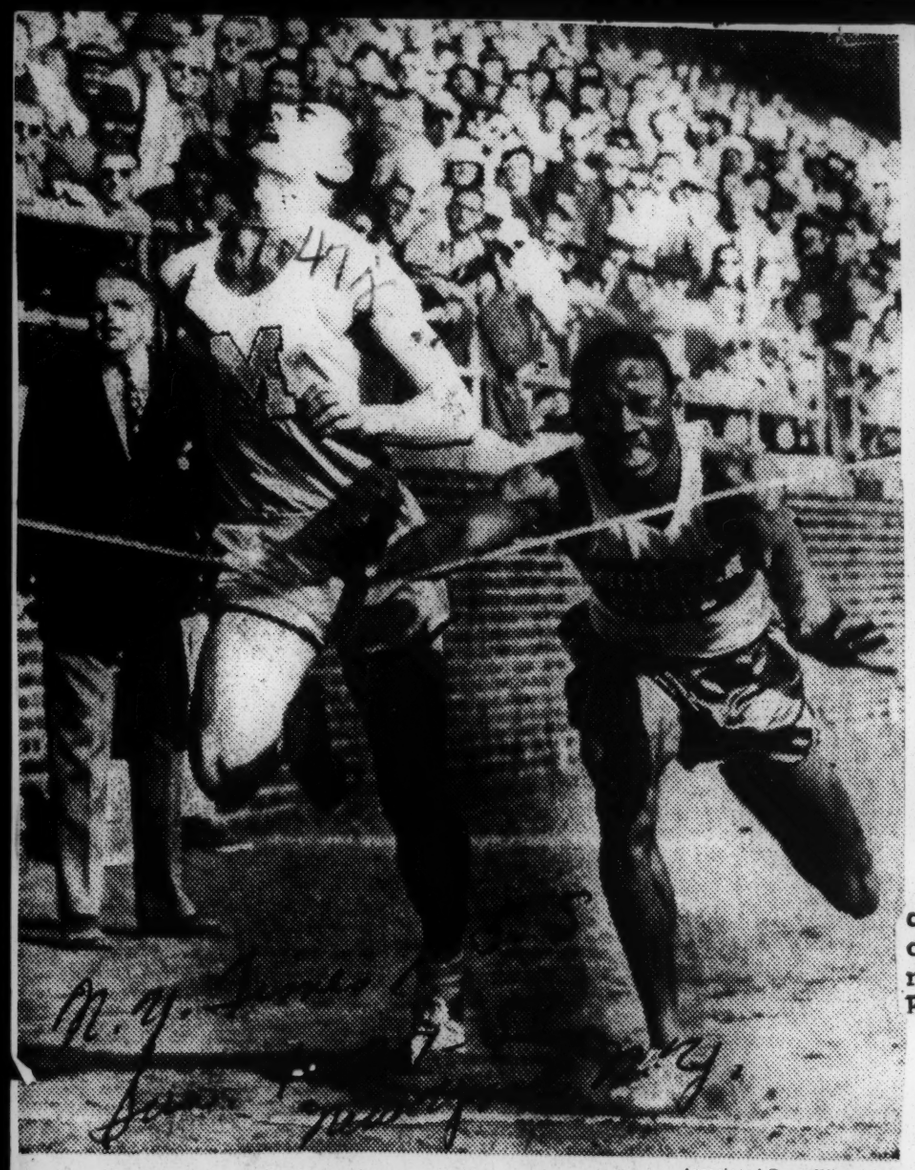
HE GOT THE WORKS

Ira Murchison, Western Michigan sprint star, is shown at Kalamazoo, Mich., with 13 of the 19 watches he has won in competition all over the world. Murchison shares the world records for the 100 meters and 100 yards. He also ran on a record-equaling 400-meter relay team. A 1956 Olympic gold medal winner, Ira won the Drake Relays 100-yard dash last week in 9.5 seconds.—AP Wirephoto.



PREP SPRINT SENSATION—The track world was stunned last week when word came from Los Angeles, Cal., that a high school boy, James Bates, equalled the 25-year-old record of 9.4 seconds for 100 yards, set by the great Jesse Owens in 1933. Bates, 6-feet-2 and 195 pounds is also an all-city football end.



Associated Press Wirephoto

CRASH: Willie Atterberry of Michigan State throws himself headlong in front of Manhattan's Tom Murphy to win two-mile relay. Time, 17:15.2

RECORD FALL — Willie Atterbury, of Michigan State, hits the tape with his hand and falls across the finish line in these two photos, as he sets a record in winning the two-mile relay championship of America at the recent Penn Relay Carnival at Franklin Field, Philadelphia. The new record is 7:30-2/10. Tom Murphy of Manhattan, N. Y. was a close second. (Newspress Photo).

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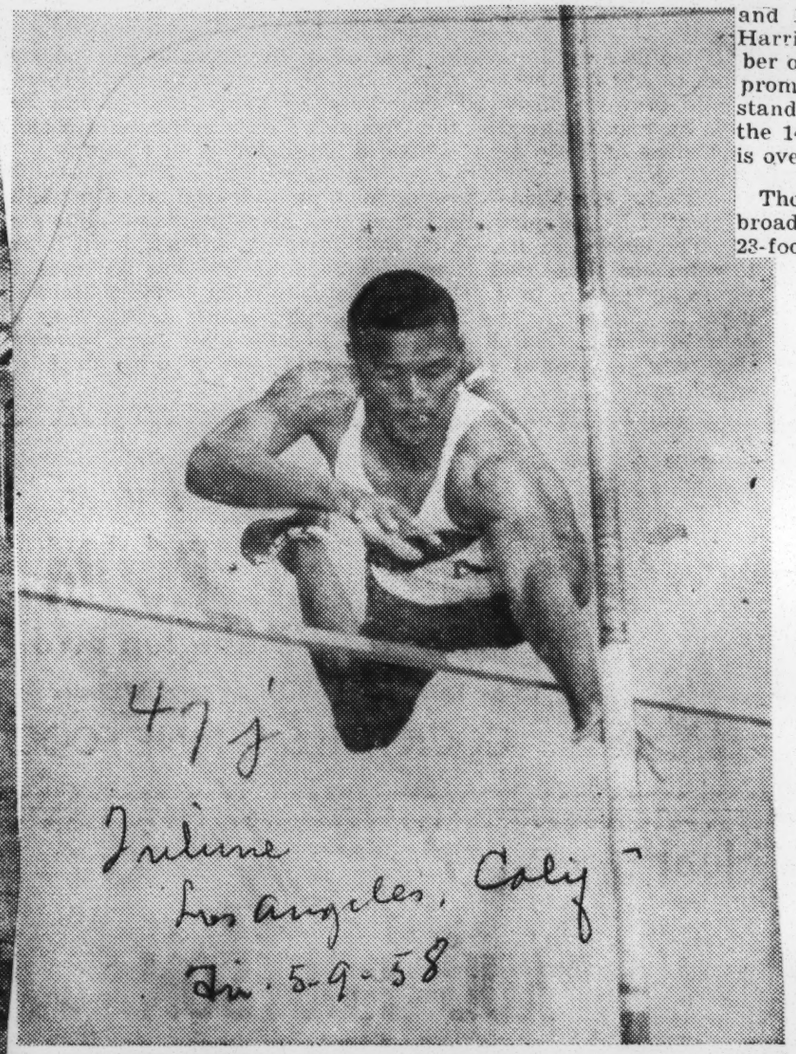
ACES — This mile relay team of Los Angeles City College can do anything it wants to the records this year, in the estimation of track fol'owers. Negroes make up half of the sensatoinal track and field squad at Los Angeles City College this year. From left: Al Mayers, Ron Weidman, Al Wil ams, Charlie Davis.



UP AND OVER — Al Harris, topranking pole vaulter in the small college competition in Southern California, goes over at 13 feet 6½ inches, his best effort to date. The 19-year-old LA City College track squad mainstay hails from Manual Arts high school and played halfback on the LACC grid squad in 1956. He will go out again for football in the fall.

All Negro mile relay team pacing L. A. City College to Javcee crown

Al Myers, Ron Weidman, Al Williams, and Charlie Davis—the explosive ingredients in one of the state's top junior college mile relay teams, are also the pacemakers for one of the most powerful track aggregations in Los Angeles City College history.

The Cubs were tabbed as dangerous threats to the Southland and State title holders early in the season, but the rains and other interruptions temporarily delaped the threat. Now the Cubs are ready to roll.

Winner of the Santa Ana Relays and the Western State Conference, the latter for the second consecutive year LACC goes after the West Coast Relays blue ribbon at Fresno this Saturday and on May 23 the Southern California JC title at Bakersfield. Also within the Cubs' grasp is the state crown at Modesto, May 31.

LACC has what must be called the "deepest" squad in junior college track and field this year.

Negroes comprise about half the team. Some are the top men in the Southland.

Before going into the merits of the relay team, look at the individual records:

Alfred M. Myers, graduate of Dorsey high school, is one of the top half-milers in the state. Standing 6' 1" and weighing 146 pounds, he has been threatening the LACC record of 1:55.8 for half the season.

Ronald Lewis Weidman, his second year with the Cubs, is nearing his prime. "Weed" now rates as one of the finest JC low hurdlers, broadjumpers, and quarter-milers around. Ron is from Los Angeles high. He is 5' 10" and weighs 150 pounds.

Alvin Roy Williams, while at Manual Arts high, romped through league and city meets with dazzling times in the 100, 220, and 440. He has yet to reach his full potential at City College, but he is now capable of a sub-21-flat 220 and 47.0 440

Charles Thomas Davis, is another man who has yet to reach his high school best in college. At Dorsey, he broadjumped 24 feet, ran the hundred in 9.8, and the 440 in 47.8. What makes Charlie stand out all the more is the fact that he weighs in at only 145 pounds and stands but 5' 5½".

Each man is capable of touring the quarter mile course in 49.0 or better, resulting in a 3:16.0 clocking or better for the mile baton event. The national JC record for this event is 3:15.3; the Southland record, 3:15.6—all set by last year's Mt. San Antonio college state champions. LACC standard for the event is 3:16.4.

Two more Negro athletes must receive their due praise: Al Harris and Herb Thomas. Team captain Harris currently stands as the number one pole vaulter in the area and promises to still improve that standing. He should be flirting with the 14-foot mark before the season is over.

Thomas is the Cubs' leading broadjumper, consistently over the 23-foot mark.

Farrington Double Pointer

Negro Athletes Show Well In Houston AAU Track Meet

HOUSTON — Negro athletes who were sprinkled lightly throughout the events of the AAU meet held in Public High School stadium, gave a good account of themselves, copping three second places, one third one fourth and one fifth Saturday night.

James "Bo" Farrington, a Jack Yates product, who now wears the purple and gold of Prairie View A and M College, was the only double pointer among the tan participants. The gangling Houston sprinter snatched a second place in an open 220 yard dash and third in a heated century.

Farrington was fresh back from the starring performance in the SWAC track and field events held at Southern University last week where he smashed the conference mark of 9.6 in the century by turning in a 9.5 hundred on a boggy track running against a driving rain.

The fleet giant was sub-par in Saturday's meet running the event in 9.8 bowing to Jimmy Weaver of North Texas 9.6 and Sidney Garton of New Boston High school, 9.7. Farrington finished in a dead-heat with University of Houston's sensational sprinter Andy Anderson.

Farrington came back later that evening and turned in a 21.7 20 to place second on the heels of Rice's Taylor Jones who turned in a 21.5. Farrington out-sprinted Rice's Joe Uhrig and Jack Parrington of University of Houston's Track and Field Club.

Erskine Moorehead, captain of TSU's track squad tallied from a slow start to pick up two runners and finish second with a 48.2 in the open 440 yard dash behind Norm Jehle of U of H Moorehead was running for South Central YMCA. Charlie Frazier TSU's freshman sprinter and quarterman also running for the MCA paced Moorehead and finished fifth.

On the field Elmer Wooley of Prairie View jumping way below par cleared the bar at 6'2" to cop a second place in the high jump behind Don Stewart of SMU. Willis Perkins of TSU competing for the YMCA tossed the shot putt 49-7 3-4 feet to gain a fourth place i competition.

ERSKINE MOOREHEAD sprinted to a second place with a 48.7 in the 440 yard dash Saturday in Houston's AAU meet. The Lanky TSU team captain was running for the South Central YMCA.

United Press Telephoto.

RECORD BREAKER: Leslie Pinder is one of the reasons St. Francis is the school to beat in today's Brooklyn College Interscholastic meet. He'll run in the 100-yard dash. The event has drawn 2000 entrants from 67 schools.

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Carolina Star Sets New Track Mark

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RALEIGH, N. C. —Winston-Salem's Elias Gilbert and N. C. College's Walt Johnson and Charles McCullough were the record breakers participating in Carolina AAU track meet here Saturday.

Gilbert set a new world's record in the 220-yard low hurdles in racing the distance in 22.1 Friday, the Rams great Godfrey Matthews, Winston-Salem, was fourth in the mile run; St. Augustine's Mark Harvey second in the shot put; the Aggies' Lorenzo Stanford third in the discus; Winston-Salem's Charles Lewis second in the broad jump; and N. C. College's Ken Riley and Lewis second and fourth in the 440-yard dash.

McCullough came through in the high jump with a leap of 6'5 1/4" to break the old meet record of 6'5" set way back in 1940 by Joe Corpening of North Carolina and tied in 1957 by Richard Richardson of Ft. Bragg.

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N. C. COLLEGE'S Vance Robinson took the 100-yard dash in 9.5 after Duke's Dave Sime pulled up lame with a muscle sprain about 20 yards from the finish line. Robinson was pressing the Duke star all the way prior to the mishap.

Winston-Salem's Fran Washington took the 440 yard hurdles in 54.1 and the Ram's Godfrey Moore annexed the broad jump with a leap of 23'2 1/2.

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ELIZABETH CITY'S Henry Fields and St. Augustine's Don Thompson tied for second place in the high jump and Winston - Salem's Herb Conway tied Clemson's Wilbur Simmons for third in the 440-yard hurdles.

hurdler had taken the high hurdles in the Coliseum Relays at Los Angeles, Calif., in 13.9. His Carolina AAU mark snapped the mark of 22.2 set by Duke's Dave Sime in 1956.

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JOHNSON ran the 440-yard dash in 48 flat to top the meet mark of 48.3 set in 1956 by Raleigh Wright of Camp Lejeune.

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ONE, TWO, — Tennessee State University's Tigerbelles crossed the tape in one, two order as Margaret Matthews (center) nipped favorite Barbara Jones in the 100-yard dash at the AAU National championships at Morristown, N.J. last Sunday. Martha Hudson came in third.

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Negro Stars Sparkle In Moscow Track Meet

By Foreign Correspondent

MOSCOW —Negro Stars sparked the American team that fought a losing battle to Rusian athletes this week as big Rafer Johnson California boy smashed the world decathon mark.

Although the Russians won the meet with 172 points as compared to the Americans 170, Johnson stole the spotlight when he posted 8302 points in the decathon to smash his old world record of 7985.

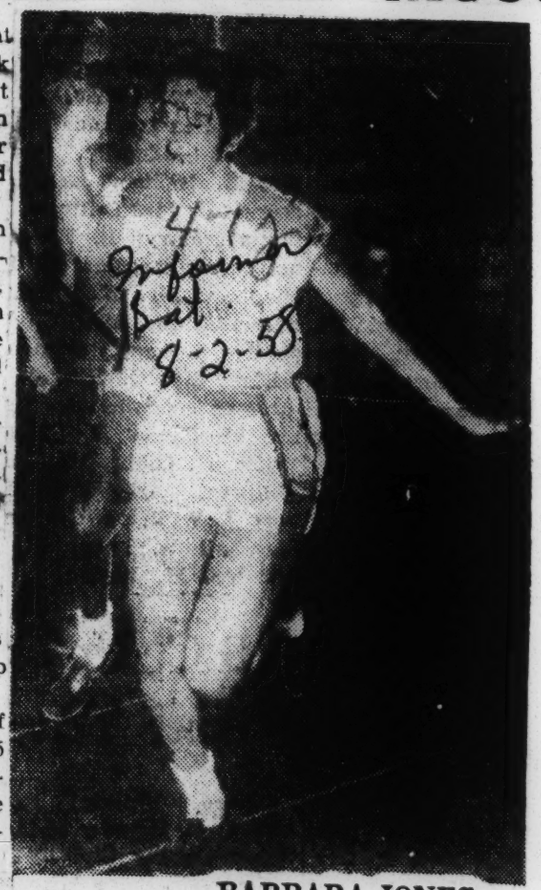
Also wining was Ira Murchison, Ed Collymore, Aneel Robinson among the men and Barbara Jones among the female performers.

Speedster Murchison showed his heels to a strong field in the 100 meter to the tune of an Ed Collymore took the 20 meters in 21.3 to make a clean sweep of the dashes.

Ancel Robinson stepped off the 110-meter hurdles in 14.5 Fleet Barbara Jones of Tennessee, State Tigervile fame romped to a victory in the 100-meters for women in 11.6.

Miss Jones returned later to team up with Isabel Daniels, Lucinda Wililams, Margaret Mathews to win the 400 meter relay in :4.8

The American stars will compete in Warsaw, Budapest and Athens against the Russians and other European teams.



BARBARA JONES

Atlanta's Margaret Mathews Sets U. S. Broad Jump Mark

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Margaret Mathews, 23-year-old Tennessee State A & I University senior from Atlanta's David T. Howard High School is currently in training at Montclair State College in New Jersey for her anslaught on the broad jump record at the U. S.-Russia international track and field meet in Moscow, July 27-28.

Miss Mathews won the National Amateur Athletic Union broad jump crown with a record-shattering leap of 20 feet, 1 inch, july 5 to establish a new American record.

The Atlanta ace first broke into the limelight nationally in 1956 when she became the first American woman to broad jump 19 feet. Miss Mathews cracked the 19 foot mark at the AAU outdoor championships setting a new meet record. Two weeks later at the Olympic Tryouts in Washington, D. C., the lithe Tenessee coed jumped 19 feet 4 inches to establish a new American distance mark.

Highly nervous, emotional competitor, Mathews faired poorly at the 1956 Olympic and watched her three-month old American record fall when team mate Willie B. White won a silver medal in Melbourne with a 19 foot 11¾-inch jump.

The 1957 National Outdoor championships at Shaker Heights, Ohio, found Miss Mathews trying to regain her American crown, but she had to settle for a new AAU record of 19 feet 7 inches.

Outdoors again at Morristown, N. J. in 1958, with team mate White jumping on pure guts and a lame ankle, Miss Mathews led the field all day with a 19 feet one inch jump until her very last try. Team mate Anna Smith went out in front with a 19 feet 2-inch leap that pushed Miss Mathews to the new American record on the very last try.

An athlete with drive and determination, Miss Mathews has come from behind to set each of her three jumps on the very last try.

Mathews, a four-letter athlete in high school, bounced around two years before coming under Coach Edward S. Temple's teaching and national fame. From high school Margaret spent one year at Bethune-Cookman college, Daytona Beach, Fla., before moving to Chicago and the new defunct CYO club.

A strong 127-pound girl who can now match stride with the best girls in the 50,100 and 200 yard races, Matthews, as a member of the CYO team in 1955 AAU Outdoor Championships, failed to make the finals in any event at Ponca City, Okla., and only jumped just over 15 feet.

"A" team to victory in the 440-yard relay.

Margaret Matthews set a new record in the broad jump, 20 feet, one and a quarter inches.

She broke the record by Willie White, also of Tennessee State, in the Olympics in Australia.

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ISABELLE DANIELS and teammate Barbara Jones posted a new record of five, seventh-tenths seconds for the 50-yard dash in the semi-finals.

Miss Jones won the final of this event in six seconds flat.

Miss Matthews scored another point for Tennessee other StOicoOE AOI RFF F State when she won the 100-

Tenn. State women set 4 new records

Eight members of team leave July 20 for competition in Russia

By SAMUEL HAYNES

MORRISTOWN — Tennessee State University's fleet-footed women athletes set four new U.S. records to win the team title in the 1958 Women's National AAU track and field championships here Saturday at Memorial Field.

On the basis of their stellar performances, eight of them were chosen at the close of the meet to make up a team of 20 American athletes that will leave for Russia on July 20.

Here are the records broken by the girls from Tennessee State:

LUCINDA WILLIAMS ran the 220-yard event in 24 and three-tenths seconds, setting a new championship record, shattering the one set by Stella Walsh in Cleveland in 1935.

Isabell Daniels set a new record of 46 and nine-tenths seconds in pacing Tennessee's yard dash in 11.01 seconds.

In the field events, Mrs. Earline Brown, Los Angeles, South Pacific Association, posted new records in her specialties.

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SHE TALLIED 47 feet, five and a half inches for the shot put to better her own previous record of 45 feet set in Los Angeles in 1956.

In throwing the discus 152 feet, five and a half inches, Mrs. Brown wiped out the record of 147 feet, eight inches set by Olga Conley of Czechoslovaki last year.

in the 1956 Olympics in the

Mrs. Brown placed sixth shot put with a throw of 49 feet six inches, and was fourth in the discus with a throw of 168 feet six inches.

Berta Diaz of the Cuban Athletic League won the 80-meter hurdles in 11.4 sec-meter hurdles in 11, four-tenths seconds. F. Christine McKenzie of the police athletic league, NYC, won the 440-yard run in 61 and six-tenths sec-

onds.

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FLORENCE McCARDLE of Queens Mercuttes was declared winner of the 880-yard run on a time basis, after Lilleague, NYC, outdistanced her rivals was disqualified.

This decision brought a howl from the spectators who did not think the fast-flying Miss Green should have been penalized, since the police and track officials failed to keep spectators from the lanes who were volunteering instructions to the runners.

Here are the 20 AAU women athletes selected by the committee to participate in competitions in Moscow, Warsaw and Budapest:

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Matthews and Barbara P. Jones, Tennessee State, and a teammate, Margaret Hudson as alternate.

220-yard-dash—Lucinda Williams and Isabelle F. Daniels,

100-YARD RUN — Margaret both of Tennessee Statee.

80-meter hurdles — Loreta Foley, Queens Mercurettes and Doris McCaffery, Alemon Athletic Club, Pawtucket, R.I. Green, Tennessee State, and Florence McGardle, Queens Mercurettes.

Broad jump—Margaret Matthews and Annie L. Smith, both of Tennessee State.

WILLIE B. WHITE, also of Tennessee State who pulled a muscle, will get a chance to qualify for the broad pump in a special meet Sunday at Randalls Island, N.Y.

Shot put — Mrs. Earline Brown, Los Angeles, and Sharon Ann Shepherd, Ore.

Javelin — Marjorie Lorney, Queens Mercurettes, and teammate, Amelia Wershaven.

Discus—Mrs. Earline Brown and Marjorie Lornev.

High jump—Barbara Brown, Police Athletic League, NYC and Rose Robinson, Chicago.

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THE CHICAGO COMETS won team honors in the Girls' championships events on Friday, July 4.

There were two double winners:

Cynthia Wyatt, unattached, of Williamonde, U.Y., won the eight-pound shot put and the discus throw.

Miss Annetta Anderson, Tennessee State University, the 75-yard and 100-yard dashes. She also anchored the winning 300-yard relay.

The Chicago Comets scored 70 points to Tennessee's 51.

The Vleveland (Ohia) Recreation Department's team placed third with 35 points.

Some 250 competitors from 12 states and from Cuba and Canada (Quebec and Ontario Provinces) took part in the two-day events.

They were welcomed to historic Morristown by Mayor J. Raymond Manahan, and Dan Ferris, honorary secretary, AAU.

The mayor and the city's eight aldermen served as honorary officials for the championships.

ISABEL DANIELS

POWER-LADEN — The power of the U. S. AAU women's track team which will meet a Russian team in Moscow is probably best exemplified by Mrs. Earlene Brown of Los Angeles. Here she demonstrates her strength in this sequence on throwing the discus. Mrs. Brown sent the discus 152 feet 5½ inches to take the event. She also won the 4-kilo shot put event. (UPI tele-

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Gals Blast AAU Marks In Jersey

MOKRISON, N. J. — (UPI) — Margaret Matthews of Tennessee State university and Mrs. Earlene Brown of the Southern Pacific assn were the individual stars as records were shattered in the National AAU Women's Track and Field championships, also serving to pick 20 girls for the United States-Russia dual meet at Moscow, July 27 and 28.

Defender

Miss Matthews started off by breaking the American and meet records in winning the broad jump with a leap of 20 feet, one inch. Then she added the 100-yard dash crown with the time of 11.1 seconds. Her final effort was anchoring the Tennessee State 440-yard relay quartet to victory in the meet record time of 46.9 seconds.

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LONE U. S. THREAT

Mrs. Brown, the lone American threat against the Russians in the field events, boosted the 4-kilo shot put meet record to 47 feet, 5 1-2 inches in retaining that title. Next, the 23-year-old 235-pound mother succeeded Mrs. Olga Fitkova Connolly as the discus champion with a meet record toss of 152 feet, 5 1-2 inches. She then finished her day's work by placing fifth in the javelin with a toss of 116 feet, 10 1-2 inches.

With Miss Matthews leading the way, Tennessee State university hung on to the team title with 110 points.

Chicago Def.

Lucinda Williams of Tennessee St. joined the record breaking party by winning the 220-yard dash in 24.3 seconds. That was a meet record and equalled the American record.

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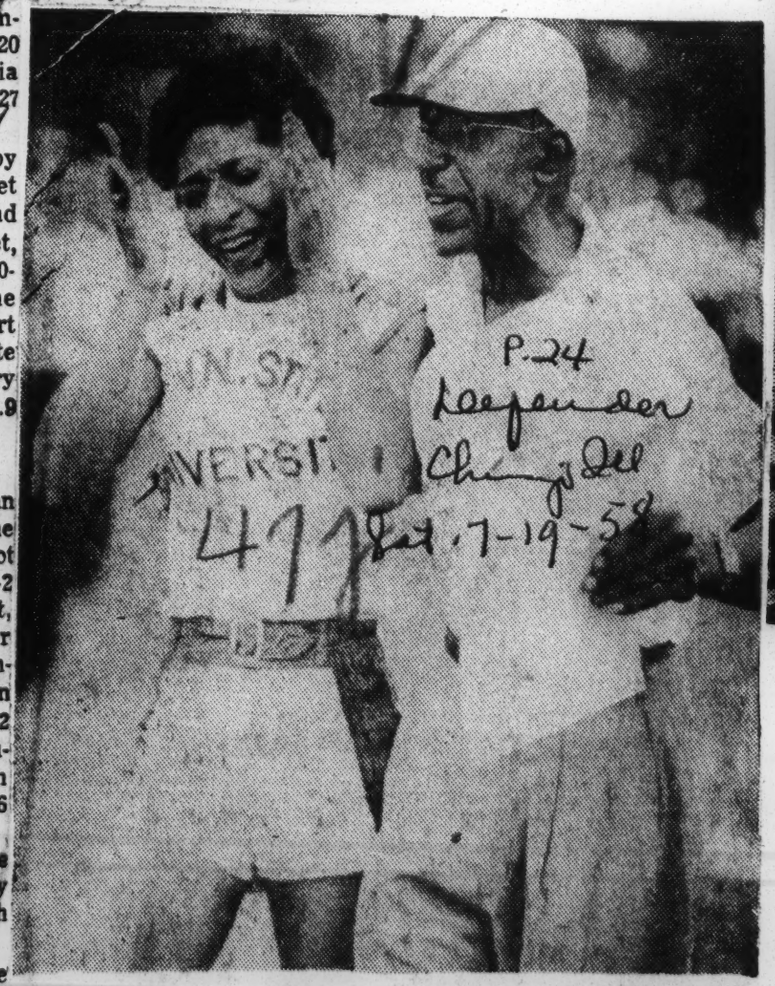
The fifth and last meet record went to the Tennessee State 440-yard relay team of Isabel Daniels, Barbara Jones, Miss Williams and Miss Matthews. The time was 46.9 seconds.

GREEN DISQUALIFIED

The rhubarb of the championships came in the 880-yard run, held for the first time since 1928 because it is included in the Moscow meet. Lillian Green of the New York P. A. L. was the winner by two yards in 2:26.4 only to be disqualified. The charge was that she was paced by a teammate running inside the track for the last 220 yards. However, with such AAU men as Dan Ferris and Jim Simes present, it was felt that the disqualification would be reversed because the infield was not policed and several others ran inside the track during the day.



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ONE, TWO, THREE . . . Margaret Matthews (center) Tennessee State University's nipped favorite Barbara Jones Tigerbelles crossed the tape in the 100-yard dash at the in one, two, three order as AAU National championships at Morristown, N. J. last Saturday. Martha Hudson (extreme right) came in third. Clanton III Foto.

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Johnson regains crown

Afro-American

PALMYRA, N.J. — Sore-limbed Rafer Johnson of UCLA regained the National AAU Decathlon Championship here Saturday in one of the most closely-contested battles of recent years. P. 13

The 24-year-old West Coast star scored 7,754 points, slightly more than 100 ahead of his nearest rival, Yafg Chuan-Kwang of Free China.

Johnson last won the event in 1956, at which time he set the existing world record of 7,985 points for the ten-event competition.

Baltimore.

A DISCUS throw of 154 feet, 11 inches was his only first-place win on the final day of the two-day program, buit it was good enough to clear the field

Charley Pratt, winner of the title last year and the favorite before his hometown fans here, was fourth with a total of 6,922 points.

The victory enabled Johnson to add his name to the list of AAU Champions slated to go to Moscow late this month for a Russo-American dual meet.

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AT THE END of the first day's program of five events, the versatile UCLA star held only a slight lead of 67 points, his footsteps dogged all the way by Yang Chuan-Kwang, a surprisingly capable entry from the Republic of China.

Johnson won three of the five tests in the Friday competitions for a total of 4450 points. He took the 100-meter dash, the 400 -meters dash and the shotput.

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ALTHOUGH his opening day's pace was well in advance of what was needed to threaten the record of Kuznetsov, there was some disappointment that Rafer didn't do better in the broad jump. It was in the broad jump that Johnson qualified for the 1956 Olympic Games at Melbourne, Australia.

The best he could do here Friday, however, was 22 feet, 5½ inches, an effort that netted no better than seventh place and 757 points. Chuan -Kwang won the event with a 23 - foot-11½ - inch leap.

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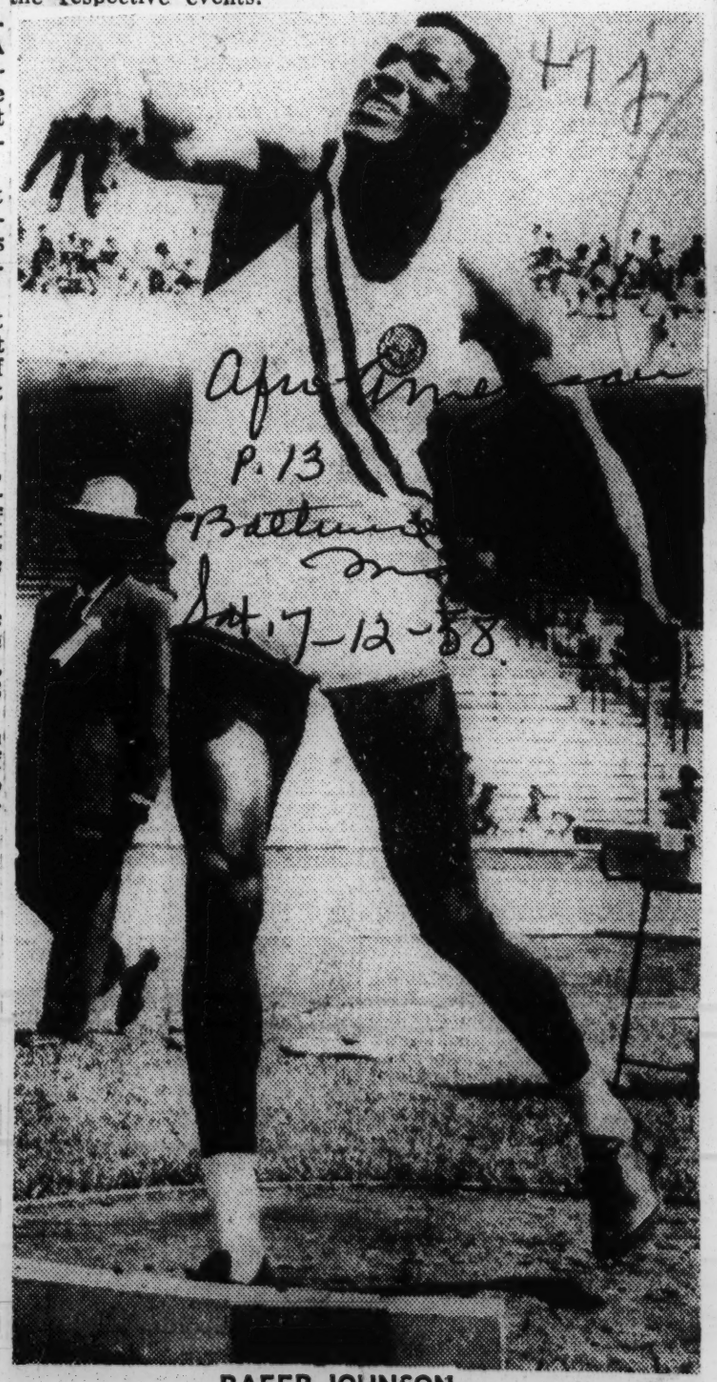

RAFER JOHNSON

WINNERS — Rafer Johnson, second from left, UCLA's muscle-man track star, accepts award after winning the National Decathlon title yesterday. Dave Edstrom, left, of the University of Oregon was third and Yang Chuan-Kwang, Free China, was second.

Tan Americans cop 11 titles in Budapest meet

Afro-American

Baltimore, Md.

BUDAPEST, Hungary — Tan athletes captured 11 first places and set two records as the touring American track and field squad competed in a triangular meet here Tuesday and Wednesday.

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Earlene Brown, the 23-year-old Los Angeles housewife, was a standout performer with victories in the women's shotput and discus events.

Mrs. Brown smashed a stadium record in the shotput competition on Wednesday, reaching 52 feet, 11.44 inches. The previous mark for women had been 51 feet, 8.08 inches.

The other record was set by Margaret Matthews of Tennessee State University. Miss Matthews cleared 20 feet, 3.31 inches to annex the broad jump title, besting a 20-foot, 2-inch effort for an American mark, made by her teammate, Lillian Green of New York, in Warsaw, Poland, last weekend.

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WEDNESDAY'S triumphs also included the following: Ed Collymore of Villanova University, in 200 meters; Hayes Jones of Eastern Michigan, in 110-meter high hurdles; Charley Dumas of Southern California, in the high jump; Miss Green in the 400 meters for women; Lucinda Williams of Tennessee State, in the 200 meters for women.

Collymore was clocked in 20.9 in taking the 200. Ira Davis of LaSalle College, was second. The finish, decided on a time basis, resulted in Ira Murchison of Western Michigan and Ernie Shelby of San Jose State, tied for fourth.

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JONES AND Ancel Robinson were in such a tight fit at the finish of the hurdles event, that both were timed in 13.6 seconds, although the former got the judges' eye. Rafer Johnson, the decathlon champ and record holder, was fifth in this test.

Dumas leaped 6 feet, 11.08 inches to acquire the high jump crown.

Miss Green covered the 400 meters for women in 58.4 seconds; Miss Williams was home first in the 200 in 24.1 seconds, with Isabel Daniels of Tennessee State, second.

Willie White of Tennessee, finished second to the broad jump winner, Miss Matthews.

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THE OPENING day activity was marked by Mrs. Brown's brilliant discus effort, in which she bettered the Olympic champion, Olga (Fikotova) Connolly.

Mrs. Connoly, now married to the American weight star, Harold Connolly, competed for her native Czechoslovakia and was favored to win the event. However, her best effort of 156 feet. 1 inch, was seven inches short of the Los Angeles housewife's toss.

Aside from Mrs. Brown, tan athletes accounted for four other first places and shared in winning a fifth on the first-day program.

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THE MEN'S 100-meter dash was registered for Uncle Sam when Murchison of Western Michigan, and Davis were timed in 10.4 seconds to tie for the victory. Collymore was third.

Shelby took the broad jump with a leap of 25 feet, 9.06 inches.

Miss Daniels, Martha Hudson, Miss Matthews and Miss White wrapped up the 100 meters for women by finishing in that order, Miss Daniels being clocked in 11.7 seconds.

LATER MISS DANIELS led off a quartet of tan speedsters that annexed the 400-meter relay in 46.5 seconds. Others in the foursome were Miss Williams, Miss Matthews and Miss Hudson.

Murchison and Collymore ran first and fourth on the men's 400 - meter relay team and helped in winning the event in 39.8 seconds. A second American (B) team, with hurdlers Ancel Robinson and Hayes Jones running the anchor legs, finished second.

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OTHER TAN place winners on opening day were Harold Caffey of Indiana, fifth in the 400 meters; Rafer Johnson of UCLA, fourth in the broad jump; Verneda Thomas of Chicago, second in the women's high jump, and Lauretta Foley of NYC, sixth in the women's 80-meter hurdles.

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JOHNSON TOP STAR OF TRACK MEET

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Russians Closing In On U. S. Sports Rule

MOSCOW, July 29 (AP).—The Russians are closing in, surely and speedily, on American leadership in sports. Even a controversial ruling and a debatable scoring system can't make it appear otherwise.

In the first United States-Soviet track meet, which ended last night, the Soviets outscored the Americans, 172 points to 170. Their women athletes defeated the American women, 63-44, and, most important of all, the American men could defeat the Russian men by only 126 to 109.

"This was the greatest day in Soviet track and field history," said the Russian men's coach, Gavriel Korobkov.

Johnson Tops Field

"Who would have thought we could beat the American pole vaulters, that we could finish one-two in the high jump and javelin? Or would have thought a Soviet sprinter would finish second in the 200 meters, that another would be second in the broad jump and that we would set a world hop-step-jump record? It was a wonderful showing."

As the United States team packed to go on to meets in Warsaw, Budapest and Athens, the American women could look back with considerable pride on their performances here. So could some of the men.

Unquestionably the greatest feat of the two-day meet was Rafer Johnson's world record score of 8,302 points i nthe decathlon, wiping out his own accepted record and the unofficial 8,013 points made by his Russian rival, Vasily Kuznetsov.

The only things that rankled a bit were the Russian system of lumping together the scores of men's and women's competition and the disqualification of Gordon McKenzie in the 10,000 meters.

There was no real bitterness, just some discontent, among United States coaches and officials over the Russian scoring.

We Score in 1959

Daniel J. Ferris, Amateur Athletic Union official in charge of the Unied States teams, said he had a letter from the Soviets promising to count the meet officially as two dual meets—men vs. men and women vs. women. He said the Russians had intended fo rhome consumption to add the points together but they were not supposed to have used this scoring system exclusively.

RAFER JOHNSON

Evening Star

CONGRATULATIONS FOR WORLD CHAMP—Rafer Johnson (right) of Los Angeles receives congratulations from Vasily Kuznetsov, Russia's decathlon champion, after the American smashed the world record for the 10-sport event with 8.302 points yesterday during the United States-Soviet track and field meet in Moscow. Kuznetsov finished second with 7,897 points. Johnson's feat was termed the greatest all-around athletic performance in recent years.—AP Wirephoto by Moscow radio.

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Tan Athletes Cover Selves With 'Glory'

BY JIM HALL

It was proven again last week that the land of opportunity is better than the "land of customs and traditions," as UCLA's great Rafer Johnson and Mrs. Earlene Brown, the multitriple Olympic champion, along with other tan track and field stars covered themselves with glory as the United States' thinclads bowed to the Soviet Union 172-170 in the International Track Meet last week in Moscow.

During the last three years, Louisiana's Willie Rainach, John Garrett and the rest of the state's arch segregationists have been tossing Negro hate bombs left and right in the bayou land, trying to maintain "customs" and "traditions."

Frankly, "customs and traditions," along with all forms of hate were left "down south," as the land of opportunity supplies more than two dozen Negro track and field stars to Uncle Sam's spike brigade.

Negro athletes in the international meet, as in other national and international events, turned in top-flight performances, which again proves that when sepia athletes are given the opportunity, they will do more good for the cause of democracy than some of the race baiting bigots and white supremacy opportunist politicians, who have turned in nothing but sorry performances for Uncle Sam at home and abroad.

Among the tan stars reflecting credit to the United States were: Johnson, the 24-year-old West Coast star and the Los Angeles housewife, Mrs. Brown.

Johnson with a powerful display of athletic might, set a new world's record as he won the ten-event decathlon, by defeating Russia's Vasily Kuznetsey with a total of 8032 points. Kuznetsev, who waged a bitter battle with Johnson, netted some 7897 points.

Johnson's feat, before some 50,000 Russain spectators, was one of the great all-around athletic performances of modern times.

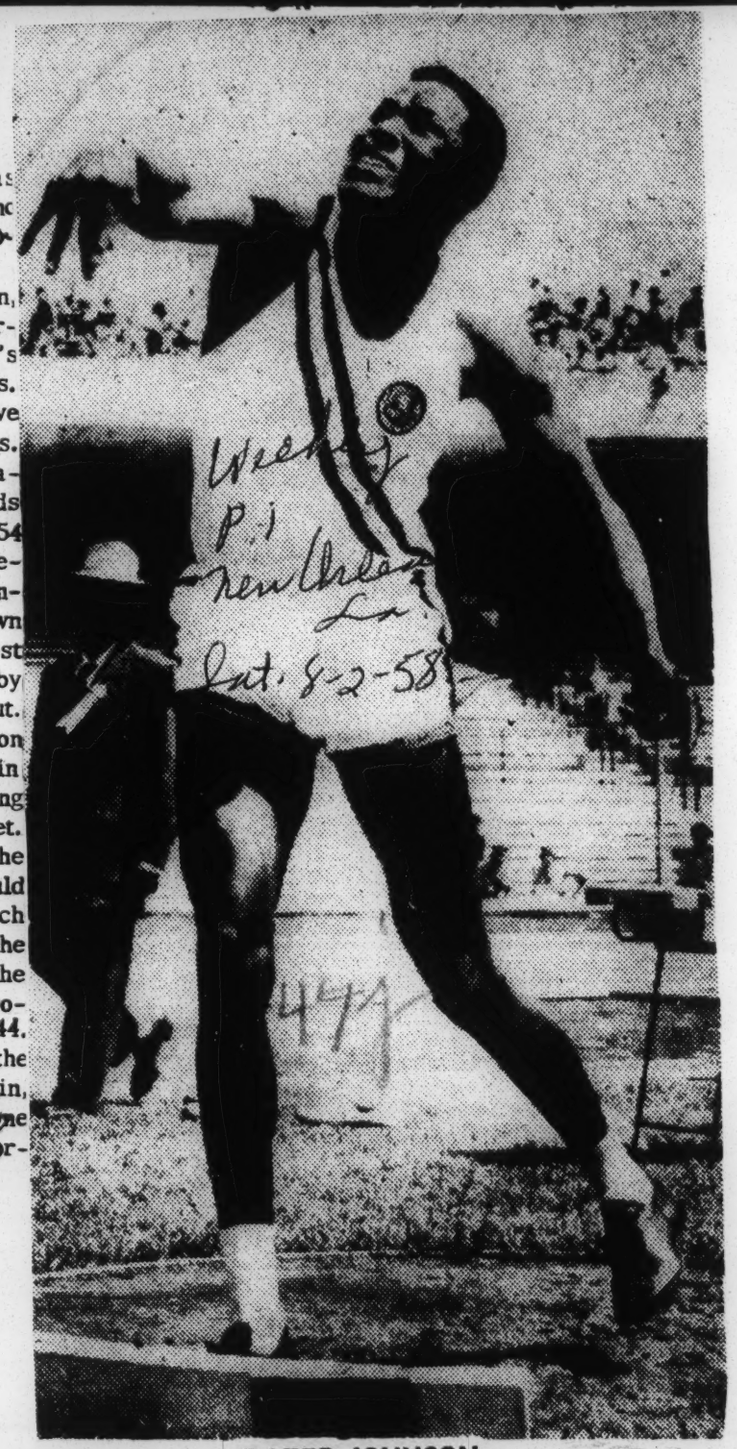
The 220 pound Mrs. Brown, scored the Meet's biggest surprise when she won the women's shot put for the United States. She won the event with a heave of 54 feet, 3 and 1/3 inches.

She beat out the Russian favorite, Galina Zybina, who holds the present world mark of 54 feet, 11 3/4 inches. This event had been virtually conceded to Zybina and the Brown win was considered the best performance ever achieved by an American in the shot put.

The big wins for Johnson and Mrs. Brown resulted in the United States not making a poor showing in the meet.

It was anticipated that the American men athletes would defeat Russia in points, which they did 126-109, and that the U. S. lassies would bow to the athletically inclined Soviet women, which they did 63-44.

The Americans bowed to the Russians on a two point margin, but they were victorious by one hundred points in the performance of democracy.



RAFER JOHNSON

World record decathlon highlights U.S.-Russ meet

MOSCOW — A world-record performance by Rafer Johnson, 23-year-old UCLA senior, highlighted a Russo-American track and field meet here last weekend.

Johnson captured the difficult decathlon competition with a mark-shattering total of 8,302 points, a feat which completely overshadowed any individual efforts in the two-day calendar of events and set off a wild demonstration among upward of 30,000 Soviet fans.

WINNING five firsts, two seconds and two third places, the 6-foot, 3-inch athlete from Kingsburg, Cal., bettered the previous high in the first nine of the ten events in the competition.

After capturing the javelin test with a heave of 238 feet, 1⅞ inches — the ninth event on the program — Rafer had a total of 8002 points. This was sufficient to top the unofficial mark of 8,013 points by Vasily Kuznetsov of Russia, as well as his own accepted world record of 7,985 points set in 1955.

As a result, Johnson had only to lope through the final, 1500-meters event, safe in the knowledge that he could not be overtaken nor his record endangered.

ASIDE from the decathlon title, tan athletes accounted for eight other victories in the two-day competition. Four of these came in men's events and four, including a relay score, occurred in the women's matches.

Ira Murchison of Western Michigan, took the 100-meters dash in 10.2 seconds; Ancel Robinson of Fresno State College, won the 110-meters high hurdles in 13.9 seconds; Ernie Shelby of Los Angeles Striders A.C., took the broad jump with a leap of 26 feet, 6 inchs, and Ed Collymor of Villanova, annexed the 200-meters dash in 21.3 seconds.

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AMONG THE WOMEN, Barbara Jones of Tennessee State University, captured the 100-meters dash in 11.6 seconds; Lucinda Williams of Bainbridge, Ga., copped the 200-meters dash in 24.4 seconds; Earlene Brown of Los Angeles, Calf., won the shotput with a toss of 54 feet, 3 1/8 inches, and an all-tan foursome added the 400-meters relay crown.

The victorious quartet was composed of Isabel Daniels, Lucinda Williams, Margaret Matthews and Barbara Jones, and time for the triumph was 44.8 seconds.

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COLLYMORE, in addition to winning the 200-meters dash, finished second to Murchison in the 100, and anchored the victorious U.S. 400-meters relay team for men. Murchison led off this foursome, which scored in 39.6 seconds, just a tenth of a second off the world record.

Following herewith are the complete summaries:

MEN'S EVENTS

100-METER DASH — 1, **Ira Murchison**, USA (Chicago), 10.2 seconds; 2, **Ed Collymore**, USA (Cambridge, Mass.); 3, Leonid Bargeney, USSR; 4, Yuri Konovalov, USSR. (Other times unavailable.)

HAMMER THROW — 1, Harold Connolly, USA (Boston, Mass.), 228 feet 8.88 inches; 2, Al Hall, USA (Hanson, Mass.), 213.14; 3, Anatoly Samotsvetov, USSR, 211-1.33; 4, Mikhail Krivonosov, USSR, 210-10.37.

400 METERS — 1, Glenn Davis, USA (Columbus, Ohio), 45.6 seconds; 2, Eddie Southern, USA (Dallas), 47.3; Valentine Rakhmanov, USSR, 47.5; 4, Mikhail Nikoisky, USSR, 48.

110-METER HIGH HURDLES — 1, **Ancel Robinson**, USA (Fresno, Calif.), 13.9 seconds; 2, **Hayes Jones**, USA (Pontiac, Mich.), 14.0; 3, Anatoly Michailov, USSR, 14.2; 4, Yuri Petrov, USSR, 14.5.

10,000 METERS — 1, Evgeny Zhukov, USSR, 29 minutes 59.8 seconds; 2, Alexi Desyatchikov, USSR, 30:30.4; 3 Jerry Smart, USA (Houston, Tex.), 31:11.4, Gordon MacKenzie, USA (New York), failed to finish.

SHOTPUT—1, Parry O'Brien, USA (Los Angeles), 62 feet 9:56 inches; 2 Dallas Long, USA (Houston), 58-3.60; 3, Vladimir Loschilov, USSR, 55-8.50; 4, Viktor Lipsnis, USSR, 54-9.48.

BROAD JUMP — 1, **Ernie Shelby**, USA (Los Angeles), 26 feet .60 inch; 2, Igor Ter-Ovanseyan, USSR, 25-5.51; 3, Bill Jackson, USA (Los Angeles), 24-6.88; 4, Oleg Fedoseyev, USSR, 24-2.55.

20-KILOMETER WALK — 1, Leonid Spirn, USSR, 1:3343.2; 2, Valentin Guck, USSR, 1:35:06.2; 3, James Hewson, USA (Buffalo, N.Y.) 1:41:15.2; 4, Ronald Laird, USA (Putman County, N.Y.), 1:49:06.0.

POLE VAULT — 1, Vladimir Bulatov, USSR, 14 feet 9 17 inches; 2, Don Morris, USA (Burbank, Calif.), 14-5.23; 3, Vitaly Chernobay, USSR, 14-1.29; 4, Jim Brewer, USA (Los Angeles), 14-1.29.

400 - METER RELAY — 1, USA (**Murchison, Davis, Segres, Collymore**), 39.6 seconds (1/10 second off the world mark); 2, USSR (**Bartenev, Konovalov**, Tokarev, Ozolin), 40.3.

800 METERS — 1, **Tomy Courtney**, USA (Livingstone, N.J.), 1:48.8; 2, Georgy Govorov, USSR, 1:50.4; 3, Peter Varrak, USSR, 1:50.4; 4, Michael Peake, USA (Lakewood, Colo.), 1:51.4.

400 METER HURDLES — 1, Glenn Davis, USA (Clington, Ohio), :50.4; 2, **Josh Culbreath**, USA (Norristown, Pa.), :50.7; 3. Yri Lituev, USSR, '51.3; 4, Anstoly Yulin, USSR, .:51.4.

200 METERS — 1, **Ed Collymore**, USA (Cambridge, Mass.), :21.3; 2, Yury Konovalov, USSR, :21.4; 3. Leonid Bartenev, USSR, :21.8; 4, Jim Segrest, USA (Abilene, Tex.), :21.9.

DISCUS — 1, Rink Babka, USA (Palo Alto, Calif.), 187 1/8; 2, A Oerter, USA (New Hyde Park, N.Y.), 184 11¼; 3, Vladimir Trusenev, USSR, 171 4¼; 4, Kim Bukhantsev, USSR, 167 4¾.

3000-METER STEEPLECHASE — 1, Simonyn Rzhishchina, USSR, 8:42.0; 2, Phil Coleman, USA (Champaign, Ill.), 8:47.6; 3, Sergei Ponomarev, USSR, 8:49.0; 4, **Charles Jones**, USA (Iowa City, Iowa), 9:39.4.

HIGH JUMP — 1, Yuri Stepanoz, USR, 6 11½; 2, Egor Kashkarov, USSR, 6 7⅞; 3, **Charles Dumas**, USA (Los Angeles), same height; 4, Paul Stuber, USA (Lakewood, Calif), same height, (Last three places determined on basis of fewest misses.)

JAVELIN — 1, Vladimir Kuznetsov, USSR, 244 11⅞; 2, Charles Vallman, USSR, 244 4 3/4; 3, Al Cantello, USA (Norristown, Pa.), 238 6 5/8; 4, Franklin (Bud) Held, USA (San Diego, Calif.), 237 5¼.

HOP, STEP AND JUMP — 1, Oleg Ryakhovski, USSR, 54 5 1/8. (new world's record; former record, 54-4, held by **A. E. Da Silva** of Brazil, set in 1955); 2, Vitold Kreer, USSR, 53-5¾; 3, Kent Floerke, USA (Kansas City), 50 10 5/8; 4, **Ira Davis**, USA (Philadelphia), 50 4¾.

1600-METER RELAY —1, USA (Jack Yerman, Woodland, Calif.; Tom Courtney, Livingston, N.J.; Eddie Souther, Dallas; and Genn Davis, Clinton, Ohio), 3:070; 2, USSR (Mikhail Nikolsky, Valentin Rakhmanov, Abram Krivoshein, and Constantin Crachev), 3:11.7.

5000 METERS — 1, Hubert Pyarankivi, USSR, 14:28.4; 2, Bill Dellinger, USA (Neal Bay, Wash.), 14:27. 3, Max Truex, USA (Los Angeles), 14:32.4; 4, Peter Volotnikov, USSR; 14:43.4.

1500 METERS — 1, Jim Grelle, USA (Portland, Ore), 3:46.7; 2, Jonas Rippine, USSR, 3:47.3; 3, Ed Moran, USA (James City, Pa.), 3:47.7; 4, Viktor Vakyavko, USSR, 3:52.2.

WOMEN'S EVENTS

BROAD JUMP — 1, Aida Chuiko, USSR, 19-6¼ 2, Nina Kazmina, USSR, 19-2¼; 3 **Annie Smith** USA (Tennessee A. and I.) 19-1½; 4, **Margaret Matthews**, USA (Atlanta), 18-8 3/4.

80-METER HURDLES —1, Galina Bystrova, USSR :10.8; 2, Nelly Eliseyeeva, USSR, :10.9; 3, Lauretta Foley, USA (Jamaica, N.Y.), :11.9; 4, Doris McCaffery, USA (Providence, R.I.), 12.0.

200-METERS — 1, **Lucinda Williams**, USA (Bainbridge, Ga.), :24.4; 2 Maria Itkina, USSR, :24.4; 3, **Isabel Daniels**, USA Jakin, Ga.) :24.5; 4, Vera Zabelisa, USSR, :24.7.

SHOT PUT — 1, **Mrs. Earlene Brown**, USA (Los Angeles), 54 3 1/8; 2, Galin A. Zybina, USSR, 52-11½; 3, Tamara ress, USSR 52-3½; 4, Sharon 9 ⅜.

800 METERS — 1, Elizavete Ermolaeva, USSR, 2:18.8; 2, Vera Mukhanova, USSR, 2:11.9; 3, **Lillian Green**, USA (New York City), 2:19.4; 4, Florence McCardle, USA (Jamaica, N.Y.), 2:24.9.

100-METER DASH — 1, **Barbara Jones**, USA (Tennessee State), 11.6 seconds; 2, Vera Krepkina, USSR, 11.6; 3, **Isabel Daniels**, (USA (Tennessee State), 11.6; 4, Valentina Maslovsaaya, USSR, 11.9.

HIGH JUMP — 1, Taisya Chenshik, USSR, 5 feet 4.96 inches; 2, Galina Dolya, USSR, 5-4.96; 3, **Barbara Brown**, USA (New York) 5-1.03; 4 **Vernaeda Thomas** USA (Chicago), 5-1.03.

DISCUS — 1, Nina Ponomareva, USSR; 170 feet .98 inch; 2, **Earlene Brown**, USA (Los Angeles), 162-1.32; 3, Antonina Zeolotukhina, USSR, 158-10.73; 4, Marjorie Larney, USA (Jamaica, N.Y.), 138-5.46.

400 - METER RELAY — 1, USA (**Daniels, Williams, Matthews, Jones**), 44.8 seconds; 2, USSR (Krepkins, Maslavskya, Kopp, Polyakova, 45.4.

JAVELIN — 1, Biruta Zalagaitito, USSR, 164 feet 6.85 inches; 2, Tatynsa Tsvetkova, USSR, 162-13; 3, Marjorie Larney, USA, 159-2.66; 4, Amelia Wershoven, USA, 154-11.49.

DECATHLON

100-METER RUN — 1, **Rafer Johnson**, USA (Los Angeles), 10.6 seconds (1080); 2, Vasily Kuznetsov, USSR, 10.8 (990); David Edstrom, USA (Sherwood, Ore.), 11.0 (908); 4, Yuri Kutenko, USSR, 11.1 (870).

BROAD JUMP —1, Kutznetsov, USSR, 24 feet 6.88 inches (962); 2, **Johnson**, USA, 23-6.28 (842); 3, Kutenko, USSR, 23-2.34 (808); 4, Egstrom, USA, 22-9.01 (773).

SHOTPUT — 1, **Johnson**, USA, 48 feet 2.35 inches (842); 2, Kuznetsov, USSR, 45-7.23 (760); 3, Egstrom, USA, 45-1.33 (745); 4, Kutenko, USSR, 43-6.84 (698).

HIGH JUMP — 1, Kuzetsov, USSR,

400 METERS — 1. Johnson, USA. (832); 3, **Johnson**, USA 5-10.87 (770); 4, Kutenko, USSR, 5-8.90 (711).

and Edstrom, USA, 6 feet .84 inch 48.2 (995); 2, Edstrom, USA, 49.1 (916); 3, Kuznetsov, USSR, 49.6 (876); 4, Kutenao, USSR, 50.9 (779).

Decathlon standing after five of 10 events.

1, **Johnson**, USA, 4524 points; 2, Kuznetsov, USSR, 4420; 3, Edstron, USA, 4174; 4, Kutenko, USSR, 3866.

110-METER HURDLES — 1, Dave Edstrom, USA (Sherwood, Ore.), :14.8 (867 points); 2, **Rafer Johnson**, USA (Los Angeles), :14.9 (840); 3, Vasily Kuznetsov, USSR, :15.1 (788); 4, Yuri Kutenki, USSR, :15.8 (632).

DISCUS — 1, **Johnson**, 160 feet, 11⅞ inches (915); 2, Kuznetsov, 154 feet, 9 1/8 inches (847); 3, Kutenko, 152½ feet (819); 4, Edstrom, 139 feet, 2 1/8 inches (695).

POLE VAULT — 1, Kutenko, 13 feet, 9 3/8 inches (795); 2, Kuznetsov, 13 feet, 1½ inches (745); 3, **Johnson**, 12 feet, 11 1/8 inches (720); 4, Estrom, 11 feet 1⅞ inches (476).

JAVELIN — 1, **Johnson**, 238-1⅞ (1068). 2, Kuzenesov, 214-6½ (861); 3, Kutenko, 211-7 (837); 4, Edstrom, 194-7 1/8 (717).

1500 METERS — 1, Edstrom, 4:33 (470); 2, Kutenko, 4:48.2 (348); 3, Kuznetsov, 5:04.0 (236); 4, **Johnson**, 505 (230).

TOTAL POINTS: 1, **Johnson**, 8302 (new world's record. Betters **Johnson's** accepted world record of 7985 points set in 1955, and pending record of 8013 points made by Kuznetsov in 1958). 2, Kuznetsov, 7897; 3, Edstrom, 7397; 4, Kutenko, 7297.

Rate Rafer Johnson Top World Star

Defender Chicago Sun Times 8-9-58

MOSCOW — (UPI) — "I just try to do a little better each time."

That's the philosophy that helped Rafer Johnson to become world decathlon record-holder and one of the finest all-around athletes in sports history.

Johnson was mobbed by Soviet fans after setting a world record of 8,302 decathlon points in the U. S.-Russia track meet. They couldn't have picked a better man as the hero of the first dual meet between the two countries. Johnson is more than just a talented athlete.

HOME TOWN FAVORITE

Long before the became a favorite in this capital of the world's largest country, Rafer was a hero to most of the 2,500 people of Kingsburg, a little farm town in Southern California's San Joaquin Valley.

Kingsburg c[illegible] ave been Rafer's bigge[illegible] since he was a lad in gr[illegible] hool. This is interesting [illegible]se Rafer's neighbors are nearly all white. He is a Negro. He made A-minus grades in high school and was elected president of the student body.

Johnson currenly is a senior and president of the student body at U. C. L. A., one of America's great universities. Rafer went to U. C. L. A. on a scholastic — not athletic — scholarship. He maintains a close to A average and plans to be a dentist.

ALL ROUND STAR

Johnson, 22, stands 6-3 and weighs 200 pounds. He also starred in basketball, football and baseball before concentrating on the decathlon. But he is a modest man who probably is less impressed with his decathlon prowess than any of his supporters.

Rafer was asked once if he believed he could set a decathlon point total no other athlete could surpass.

"If I could do anything no one else could do, the decathlon really wouldn't be much, would it?" he replied.

Except for his sub-standard 5:05.0 in the 1500 meters, last of the 10 events when he was weary to the point of exhaustion, Johnson turned in these amazing all-around performances:

100 meters—10.6 seconds; broad jump — 7.17 METERS (23 feet, 6.2 inches); shot put — 14.68 meters (48 feet, 2.2 inches); high jump —1.80 meters (5 feet, 10.8 inches); 400 meters — 48.2 seconds; WIMT 1.80 meters (5 feet, 10.8 inches); 400 meters — 48.2 seconds; 110-meter high hurdles — 14.9 seconds; discus — 49.06 meters (60 feet, 11 inches;) pole vault — 3.95 meters (12 feet, 11.5 inches); javelin — 72.59 meaers (238 feet, 1.1 inches.)

By SAM LACY

Pace U.S. track win over Poles

RATER JOHNSON

WARSAW, Poland — Colored athletes personally accounted for 11 first places and shared in a 12th as an American track and field team competed in a dual meet with Poland's best here Friday and Saturday.

With portly Earlene Brown of Los Angeles capturing her second title in as many days, the U.S. squad ran up an overall total of 103 points. The Polish total was 41.

Mrs. Brown won the discus event with a heave of 159 feet, 6⅞ inches to highlight the Saturday activity. She had previously taken the shot put event.

Ed Collymore of Villanova and Ira Davis of La Salle College finished first and second in the 200-meter dash for men, the winning time being 21.2; and only one tenth of second splitting the two American speedsters.

Isabel Daniels of Tennessee State University, took the women's 200 meters in 23.9 seconds with teammate Lucinda Williams finishing third.

Tennessee State's Willie White completed the second afternoon victory march with a leap of 20 feet, 2.52 inches to cop the women's broad jump.

The distance established a new American record. The old mark was 19 feet, 11¾ inches set by the same Miss White in the 1956 Olympics at Melbourne, Australia.

UNCLE SAM had taken the lead Friday on the strength of six tan victories, three in the men's competition and three in the women's. Colored men also made up three - fourths of a relay team that acquired seventh title in the first day program.

Ira Murchison took the 100-meter dash in 10.5 seconds, with Ed Collymore second.

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A SIMILAR one - two sweep occurred in the 110-meter high hurdles when Ancel Robinson of Fresno State College and Hayes Jones of Eastern Michigan, finished ahead of the Polish competition. Robinson's winning time was 14.2 seconds.

Ernie Shelby of the Los Angeles Striders, and Charley Dumas of Southern California, the two jump events. Shelby cleared 25 feet, 8.27 inches in the broad jump and Dumas soared 6 feet, 11 inches to cop the high jump.

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BARBARA JONES of Tennessee State University, repeated her Moscow triumph of the week before, getting home first in the women's 100 - meter dash in 11.6 seconds, with her teammate, Margaret Matthews, second.

Earlene Brown, the 23-year-old Los Angeles housewife, also duplicated her shotput victory of the previous week. Mrs. Brown reached 53 feet, 4.16 inches to score.

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THE SIXTH title accounted for was the 400 - meters relay for women. In this, Isabel Daniels, Lucinda Williams, Miss Matthews and Miss Jones ran in that order to break the tape in 45 seconds flat.

The men's 400 - meter relay race also went to the Americans, with three of the four runners colored. Murchison, Ira Davis of LaSalle College, and Collymore teamed with Jim Segrest in a victorious 40-second effort.

Rafer Johnson Seen As Number One Candidate In Sullivan Award Poll

By OSCAR FRALEY

NEW YORK — (UPI) —Bob Mathias looked back over the years and there was utter conviction in his voice.

"I have played football and most other sports," said the two-time Olympic king, "and for sheer physical demands nothing can touch the decathlon."

WHAT BRINGS this to mind is the National AAU voting currently being conducted to select the winner of the Sullivan Award, the nation's most coveted amateur athletic trophy.

Named on the ballot are two swimmers, a pair of track aces, a figure skater, a weight lifter and a wrestler. They are in order, Sylvia Ruuska of Berkeley, Calif.; Frank McKinney of Indianapolis, Glenn Davis of Ohio State, RAFER JOHNSON OF UCLA, Dave Jenkins of Colorado Springs, Tommy Kono of Honolulu and Terry McCann of Tulsa.

EACH AND every one of them deserves the honor.

Yet, and without attempting to prejudice anyone else's vote in any manner, this is just to say that in this corner there can be but one winner.

That's Johnson, the National AAU world record holder in the decathlon who this summer proved himself to be the greatest all - around athlete in the history of recorded sports.

BACK IN the days before the stop watch, it is possible that there may have been someone who could run faster, leap higher and farther and toss assorted implements for longer distances. But no one on record ever matched his all - over ability.

That goes for the immortal Jim Thorpe, eight of whose 10 decathlon marks were surpassed by the barrel-chested Rafer.

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IT GOES for Mathias and also for Russia's Vasily Kuznetsov, both world record holders who saw their marks disappear under the might of Johnson's muscular arms and legs.

The clincher came in a head-and-head meeting at Moscow last summer with the Russian star. Kuznetsov held the world mark of 8,014 points.

When it was over, Johnson held the new world mark of 8,037 points in what even the Russian press hailed as a performance "that will dignify the history of world athletic records for a long time to come."

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THE OTHERS performed prodigious feats, too. All of them are champions and, even more important, sportsmen of the highest degree. Any one of them would be a fit winner of the Sullivan Award.

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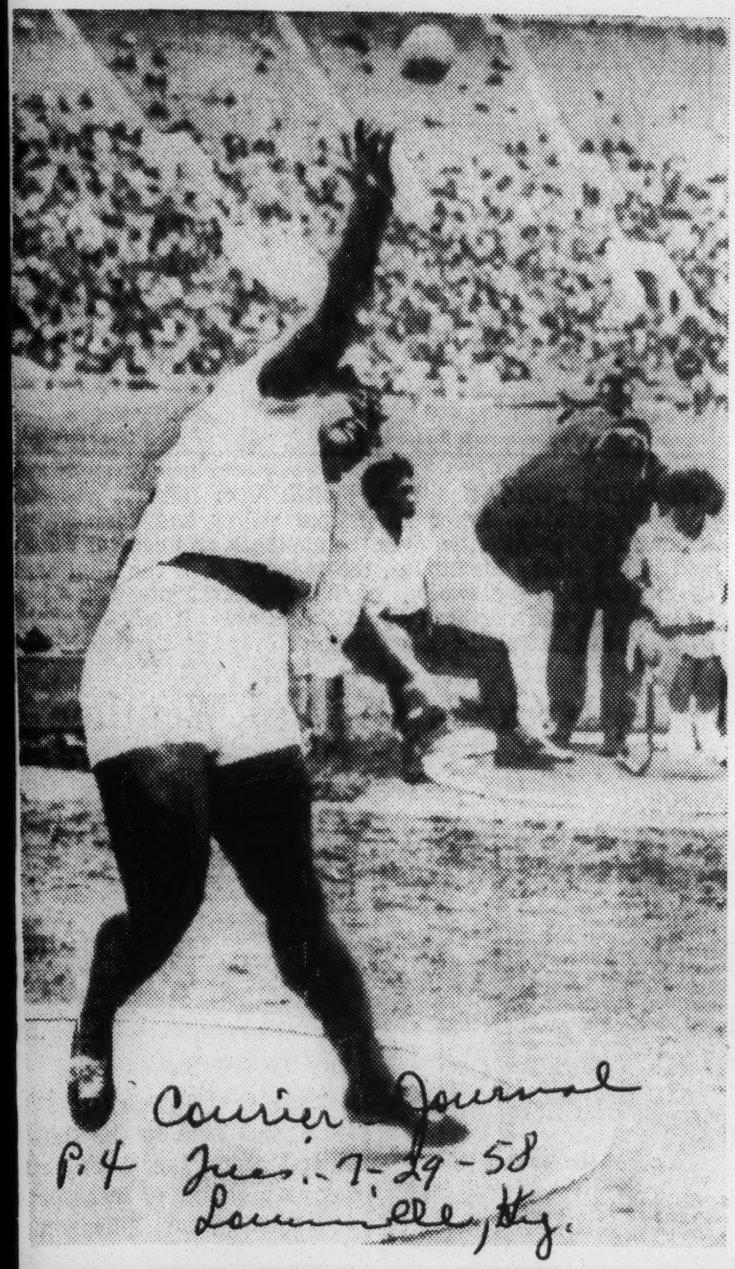
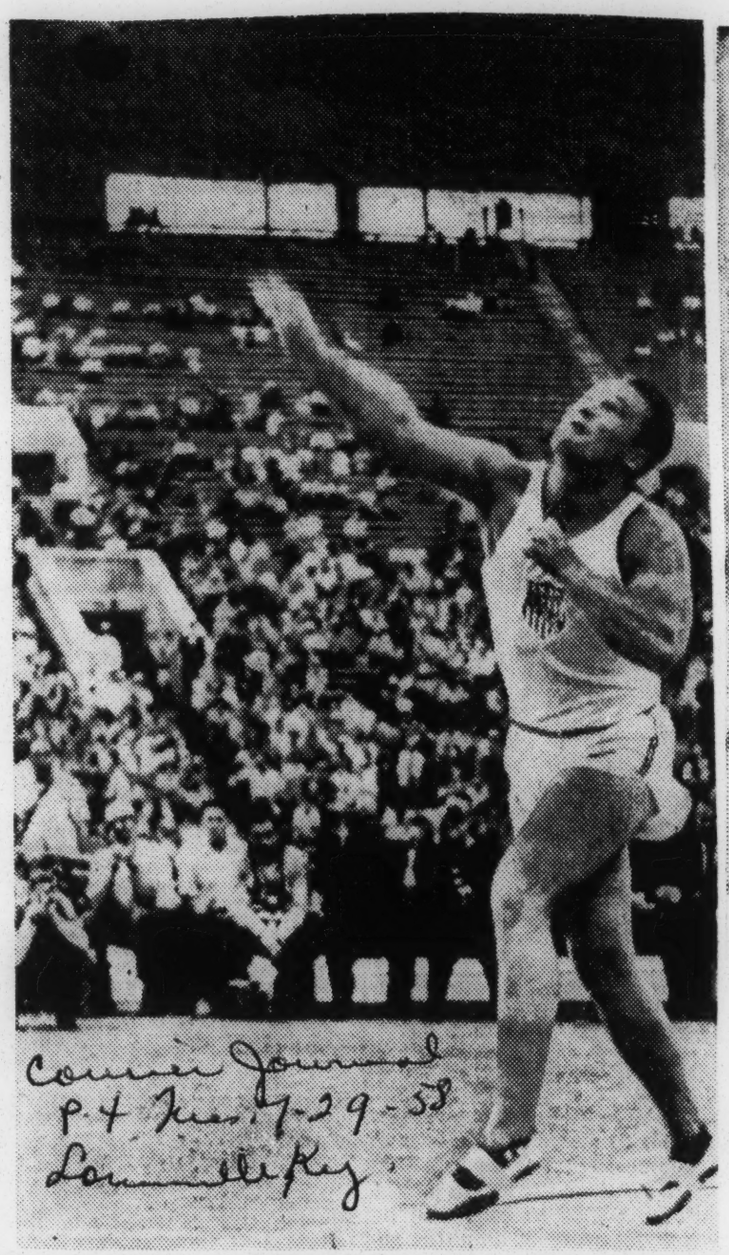
BUT FROM this angle, one stands out head and shoulders over every athlete in the world this past year. As George Eastment, the coach of the American team at Moscow, summed it up:

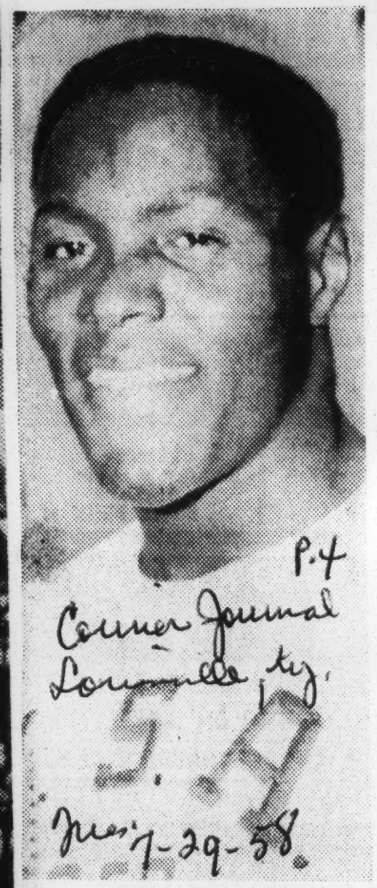
"Johnson is truly the World's greatest athlete."

PHOTOGRAPH BY NY PESKIN

RAFER JOHNSON—Both sides of the Iron Curtain hailed the Athlete of the Year for breaking the world's decathlon mark in July's U. S.-Russia track meet in Moscow.







Rafer Johnson
U. S. Star Wins In Russia

Associated Press Wirephotos via Radio from Moscow

U. S. WINNERS . . . Californians Mrs. Earlene Brown (left) and Parry O'Brien let the shot fly in leading the United States to victory in that department during the U. S.-Soviet Union track and field meet yesterday in Moscow. Both are from Los Angeles. Mrs. Brown, a 220-pound housewife, won the women's event with a mighty 54 feet, 3½ inches put. O'Brien triumphed over the men with a heave of 62 feet, 9.56 inches. O'Brien is the Olympic champion and world record holder for the event. The Soviets won the over-all competition.

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Johnson Breaks World Decathlon Mark as U. S. Thinlies Bow to Russians

Moscow, July 28 (AP)—Rafer Johnson, a lithe California giant, drove to a world record in the decathlon Monday with a staggering show of Soviet Union coordination eyelash athletic might. Despite this the 172-170 track and field victory over the United States.

The Russians already had clinched their slender triumph in the international track meet when the 6-3, 200-pound Tarzan from Los Angeles lumbered across the finish line in the 1,500-meter race—the tenth and final test of a rigorous two-day grind.

Locked in a bitter battle with the great Russian star, Vasily Kuznetsov, Johnson climaxed the historic meet by scoring 8,302 points. It was one of the great all-around athletic performances of modern times.

Johnson held the listed world record of 7,985 points, but this had been bettered by Kuznetsov, who had piled up 8,013 points this spring. Kuznetsov finished today with 7,897.

Some 50,000 Russian spectators stood and gave Johnson a resounding ovation as he strolled to the victory stand while the band blared "The Star Spangled Banner."

As anticipated, the American men athletes soundly defeated their Russian rivals in points, 126-109, but failed to make up ground lost to the hardier, more athletically inclined Soviet women. The Russian women won 63-44.

U. S. officials sought to have the men's and women's competitions scored separately. But they were voted down by the Soviet sponsors who insisted the meet be scored as one event.

Points were given on the basis of 5 for a victory and 3-2-1 for the other three places. The standard procedure for scoring dual meets is 5-3-1 with no points for losing relay teams. Under this system, the Americans would have won 138-137.

The Yanks' hopes of winning the first big private athletic battle with Russia were punctured by a sub-standard performance in the high jump and javelin, but Americans produced surprises in several events—including the women's shot put and the men's 5,000 meter run.

In the 5,000, a rugged test conceded to the Russians, Bill Dellinger of Neal Bay, Wash., ran toe-to-toe with Russia's Peter Volotnikov and finally lost by only a half a foot. They were given identical clocking—14 minutes, 28.4 seconds.

Mrs. Earlene Brown, the 220 pound Los Angeles housewife surprised the Russians by winning the women's shot put with a titanic heave of 54 feet, 3½ inches. This was the best performance ever by an American in the event.

She beat out the Russian favorite, Galina Zybina, who holds the present world mark of 54 feet 11¾ inches.

Russians Place 1, 2

The Russians placed 1-2 in the high jump, which had been figured a certain American victory because of Olympic champion Charlie Dumas, who has soared over seven feet, and because of the banning of the Russian built-up shoes.

But Yuri Stepanov, also a seven-foot jumper, won with [illegible] feet, 11½ inches, followed by teammate Igor Kashkarov, who tied with Dumas and 17-year-old Paul Stuber of Lakewood, Cal. Dumas, off form, and Stuber placed third and fourth, respectively, on the basis of misses.

Jim Grelle of Portland, Ore., gave the United States a surprise triumph in the 1500 meter (metric mile) race, beating out Russia's sub-four-minute miler Jonas Pippin, in 3 minutes, 46.[illegible] seconds.

Rafer Gains New Record In Decathlon

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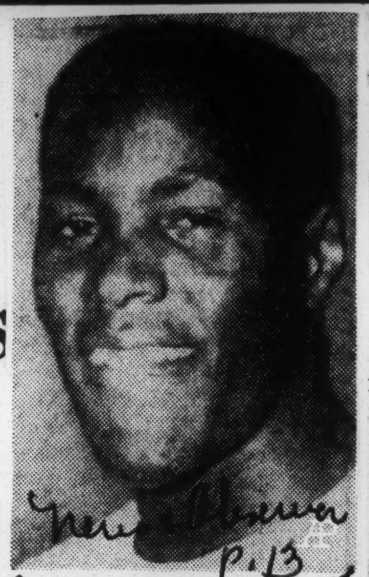

RAFER JOHNSON—BENJAMIN F. RAY

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The U. S. women who won their events today were Lucinda Williams of Bloomingdale, Ga., in the 200-meter dash, 24.4 and Earlene Brown of Los Angeles, an upset winner in the shot put with a heave of 54 feet, three inches.

Russians Hail Johnson.

Enthusiastic Russians poured out of the stands to mob Johnson as he tried to make his way to the dressing rooms with his gold medal.

"Zamedhatelno!" they shouted—meaning marvelous—as it was announced that Johnson had broken Vasili Kuznetsov's recently established world record of 8,013 points by a staggering 288.

Both the American and Russian coaches agreed Johnson's feat was one of the finest of all time.

"It's my greatest sports thrill," said Eastment.

"Johnson's performance was the greatest to occur in the world in any sports," said Russian coach Gavril Korobkov.

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"Dr. Johnson, GP

Rafer Johnson is a general practitioner in track and field, a sport of specialists. He's a husky 200 pounder who doesn't look out of place when he putting the shot. And he looks equally natural when he's breezing 100 yards in 0:09.8, or bobbing over a hurdles course, or monkey sticking with a vaulting pole.

RAFER JOHNSON

Uncommon achievements are common for this uncommon athlete. The very quiet, well posed star's breaking of his own listed world decathlon record was merely the latest of many achievements.

After winning 11 varsity letters and serving as student president at Kingsburg (Calif.) High School, Johnson entered UCLA. He will be student president there, too, this fall.

As a college freshman, he set the Pan-American Games decathlon record. As a sophomore he led UCLA to the NCAA championship. Before his junior term he went to the Olympics with a bum knee and gave an astonishingly fine decathlon performance to finish second to countryman Milt Campbell.

Then Johnson underwent knee surgery. Now, again, he's his usual, well-rounded self.

U. S. Girls' Team Drills for Meet in Russia

New York Times

Confident of Beating Soviet Track and Field Squad

New York N.Y.

By DEANE McGOWEN

Special to The New York Times.

MONTCLAIR, N. J., July 15 —"We know they are good, but we think we can beat the Russian girls." That was Martha (Pee Wee) Hudson, a Tennessee State University sprinter, summing up the attitude of the American women's track and field squad toward its coming competition against the Russians.

The eighteen-woman team, together with a men's squad, will take part in a dual meet against Soviet athletes in Lenin Stadium, Moscow, July 27 and 28. The meet was arranged by the Amateur Athletic Union with the cooperation of the United States Department of State.

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The women's squad, all teenagers except one, was picked from the outstanding competitors in the recent national championships at Morristown, N. J. For the past week the squad has worked twice daily at Montclair State Teachers College.

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Ed Temple, whose Tennessee State teams have dominated women's track for the past five years, is the coach of the American team. Temple, working with Frances Kaszubski, the chairman of the A. A. U. women's track and field squad, has brought his charges along slowly but steadily.

Outlook Is Optimistic

The T. S. U. coach thinks the American girls will come home with first-place medals in the sprints, the broad jump and the relay. As for the discus throw, javelin, shot-put and high jump Temple said, "With a little break here and there, we could be in the money too."

Mrs. Kaszubski, a 1948 Olympic competitor, seconded Temple's views, saying, "They will surprise everyone including themselves."

The tall, slender women's team manager said, "We think we can equal the Russian girls in training methods and technique in the dashes. However, when it comes to the field events, particularly the discus, shot and javelin, we expect to learn some new tricks."

However optimistic Temple and Mrs. Kaszubski appeared, the fact is that the American girls will be going up against some of the best athletes in the world when they face the Soviet stars.

The American squad represents the best in this country. Yet not one is listed among the top ten women world record-holders. The Russian girls, since the 1948 Olympic Games, have dominated the ratings in most of the events.

Three Top Performers

Heading the squad are two T. S. U. stars, Margaret Matthews and Willie B. White, and Mrs. Earlene Brown, 23, of Los Angeles, the mother of a 2½-year-old son.

Miss Matthews, a junior, won both the broad jump and the 100-yard dash in the Nationals. Miss White is the former national champion in the broad jump and finished second to Miss Matthews at the Morristown meet despite an injured left ankle.

Mrs. Brown, the oldest and heaviest of the squad (she's 226 pounds), naturally is the squad's field-event hope to upset the Russians. The Californian won both the discus throw and the shot-upt (4-kilo) titles in Morristown. All three competed in the 1956 Olympics at Melbourne, Australia.

Other Olympians making the trip are Lucinda Williams, T. S. U.; Isabel Daniels, T. S. U.; Pam Kurrell, San Francisco State and Marjorie Larney and Amelia Wershoven of the Queens (NY) Mercurettes.

Miss Kurrell, a 19-year-old blond sophomore, said, "This squad is as good as the one we sent to Melbourne. We're in fine physical condition and we're ready to go."

Ernest Shores of Canada, a visiting Soviet language specialist at Montclair College, spoke to the squad Monday night.

He discussed Russia and taught the girls the Russian equivalents of "Hello," "How are you?" and "Good-by." But the words the track stars were interested most in were, "On your mark, get set, go."

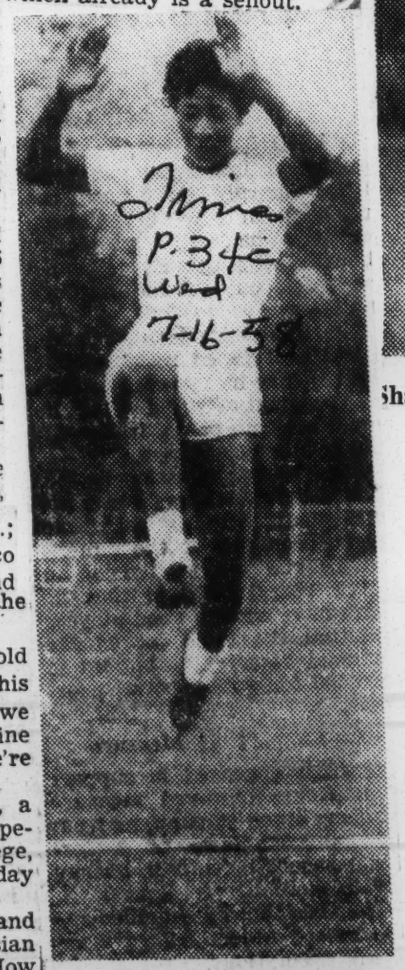
Russians Make Plans

LONDON, July 15 (AP)—Moscow Radio said today that the team to meet the Americans would be composed of the athletes who produced the best performances at the Soviet national track and field championships at Tallin, Estonia, next Saturday through Monday.

After the Moscow meet the American team goes to Warsaw for a Polish-United States dual meet Aug. 1-2; to Budapest to meet the Hungarians on Aug. 5-6 and to Athens to meet a Greek team, Aug. 9-10.

Lenin Stadium, where the Moscow meet will be held, seats 104,000. The program will include twenty events for men and ten for women. Each team will enter two competitors in each event.

About 100 American tourists are expected for the meet, which already is a sellout.



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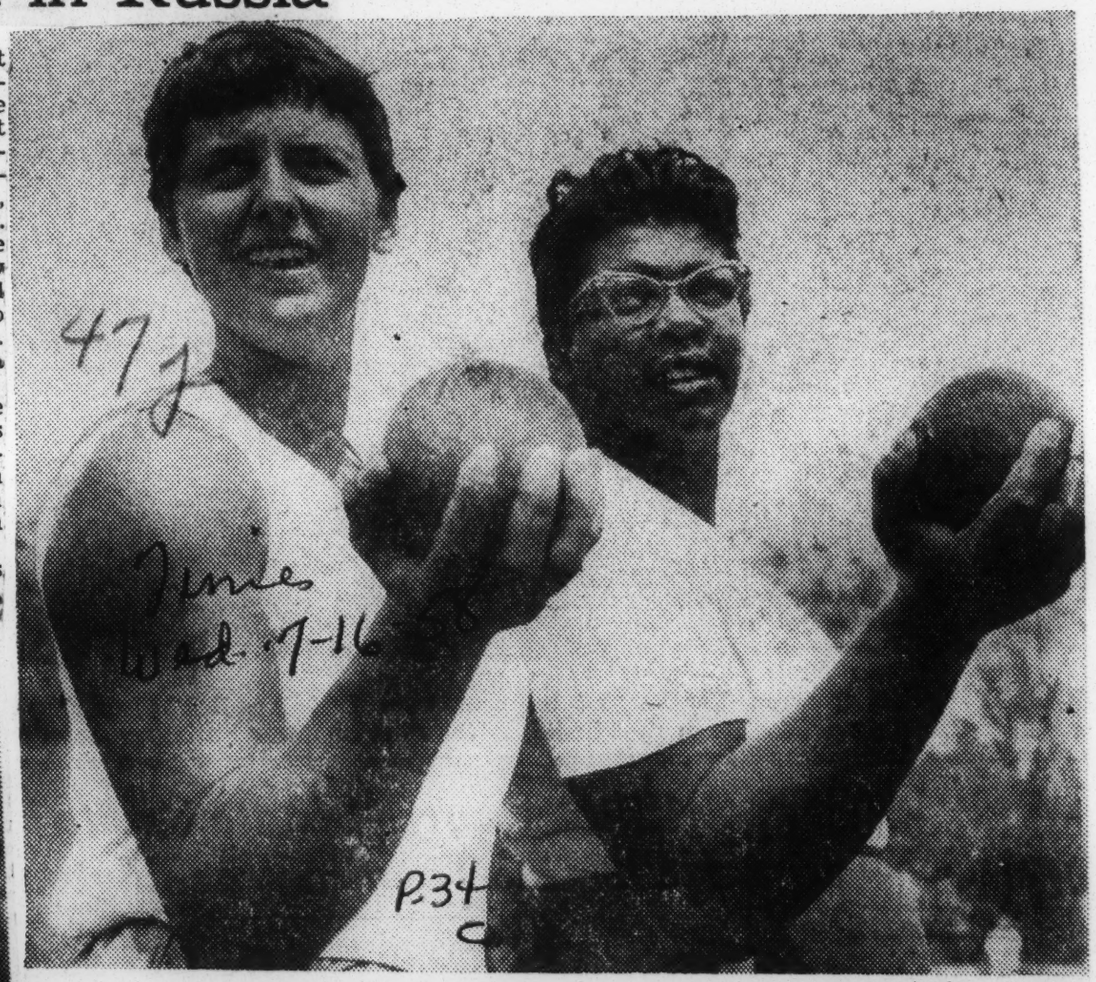
Margaret Matthews makes a practice broad jump.



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Sharon Shepherd, left, and Mrs. Earlene Brown hold four-kilogram shots during a workout

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1960 OLYMPICS (ROME, ITALY)

New Arena For 1960 Olympics Ready In Rome

NEW YORK — A new arena for the 1960 Olympic Games in Rome now stands ready for world athletes.

The domed Palazzetto dello Sport, another masterful, concrete structure by Italian engineer Pier Luigi Nervi, is featured in the current issue of Architectural Record, the professional magazine for architects and engineers published by F. W. Dodge Corporation. Annibale Vitellozzi was the architect.

The arena's circular inner hall, 192 feet in diameter, will seat 5,000 for boxing and wrestling, and 4,000 for tennis or basketball. The dome's apex rises 70 feet above the playing surface.

In the Palazzetto, "concrete has been shaped by Nervi to speak eloquently of structure, craftsmanship, and of its own nature as a material" according to the editors of Architectural Record.

The 194-foot dome — actually designed as a ribbed membrane — seems to rest very lightly on its 36 Y-shaped supporting trestles. The dome was built of precast, reinforced concrete coffers. With insulation and roofing added, the thickness of the dome comes 4 3-4 in.

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The cost of the srena was $8.25 per sq. ft., an economical figure.

The Olympic Arena is one of three amphitheatres studied in the current issue of Architectural Record. Also included in this pictorial presentation are the proposed Assembly Hall, University of Illinois, Champaign - Urbana; and the Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena.

The University of Illinois Assembly Hall is designed to seat 20,000 for speeches, 18,000 for basketball, or 4,000 for theatrical performances. This structure is a 400-ft. ribbed concrete saucer, half buried in the earth for easy access to the seating mid-point and the exposition ring and lobby surrounding it. Insulation board will be used as liner for the dome, which will be plastic coated for weather protection.

Architects: Harrison and Abramovitz; structural engineers: Amman and Whitney; mechanical engineers: Syska and Hennessy. Consultants: Bolt, Beranek and Newman; and Ben Schlanger. University architect: Ernest Stouffer.

The Los Angeles Memorial Sports Arena, currently under construction, will be framed in steel; the 318,000 sq. ft. area will be spanned by trusses and thus completely free of columns. The arena floor itself measures 150 by 234 ft. Floor to roof measures 75 ft. approximately the equal of a seven-story building.

The inner hall will seat 30,000 for conventions, 19,000 for boxing, and 18,000 for basketball. Access to the arena proper is designed so large exhibits (such as houses) may be brought directly in for display.

The entire building will be air conditioned and will contain a central refrigeration and heating plant. For hockey contests, there will be a permanent ice rink 85 by 200 ft. in size.

Red Is Next Foe For UCLA Star

Memphis Tenn

Total Of 7,754 Points Beats Chinese Entry

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EDSTROM IS THIRD

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By The Associated Press

PALMYRA, N. J., July 5.—Rafer Johnson, the muscle-man from UCLA, won the National Decathlon title Saturday to set up a face-to-face meeting with Russia's Vassily Kuznetsov later this month.

Johnson scored 7,754 points, far below his own listed world record of 7,985 and Kuznetsov's pending mark of 8,016. They'll clash in the United States-Russia meet July 27-28 and Johnson's coach, Ducky Drake, said his charge will smash the Russian's performance to bits.

Chinese Second

Yang Chuan-Kwang of Free China, the Asian Games champion, was second with 7,625 points. Dave Edstrom of the University of Oregon was third with 7,154. Edstrom will accompany Johnson as a member of the United States team that tangles with Russia.

Defending champion Charlie Pratt of Palmyra, the home town favorite, was fourth with 6,922 points and Bob Lawson of the Southern California Striders fifth with 6,550 points.

While Johnson failed to break Kuznetsov's mark, he still can head off the Russian's getting his name in the record book. All Rafer must do is better 8,016 in the United States-Russia meet. Then the Russians would have to submit his mark to the International Amateur Athletic Federation for approval when it meets next month.

By the time the final event of the gruelling two-day, 10-event program rolled around, it was apparent that Johnson had missed whatever chance he had to set a record. The last test was the 1,500 meters.

He would have had to run it in 4:37.4, far faster than he ever had before, in order to get past Kuznetsov. He finished in 5:14.7, barely making it to the line.

Huffing And Puffing

"I didn't break the record, so I'm not going to worry about it," he said, while huffing and puffing after the 1,500 meters.

"It would have been nice if he had set the record," observed Drake, who gives Johnson his every order. "But don't blame it on his poor showing in the 1,500 meters. He never could run that. He should have done better in the javelin and the broad jump."

Johnson, the studious president of the UCLA student body, tossed the javelin 201 feet 9 inches, far off his usual performance. During the spring, he got off a heave of 240 feet. As a matter of fact, Yang had the best javelin throw, a 208-7 effort.

Johnson started the day badly. He was clocked in 14.8 for the 110-meter high hurdles. That, too, was sub-par for him and placed him squarely behind the eight-ball in his race for the record. He had a 154-11 discus throw (average for him) and a 12-6 pole vault (also under his best).

Yang turned out to be more competition that Johnson bargained for. Going into the 1,500 meters, the tall Chinese lad had a chance to pull it out. But he's not much of a distance runner, either, and was timed in 4:51. Had he been able to get down to a more respestable time, he could have won.

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Alone at the Top

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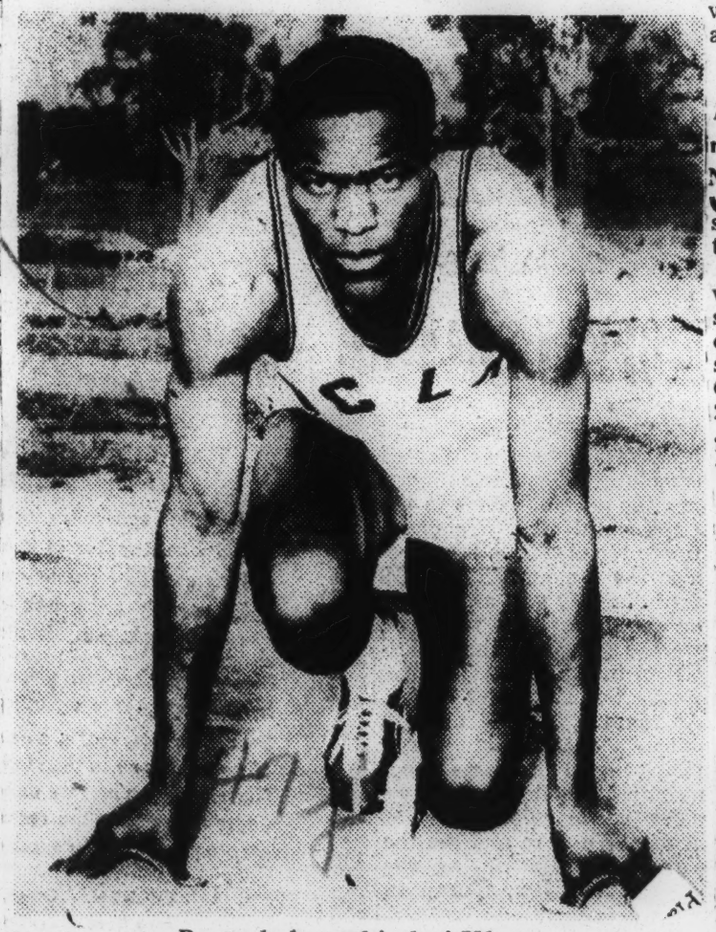

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New York Times

AT 3:30 P. M. yesterday in Kingsburg, Calif., Mrs. Lewis Johnson, a short, hefty woman known to all as Dimples," was briskly ironing a basketful of clothes and listening to music on the radio, when the announcer cut in and said:

New York N.Y.

"We interrupt this broadcast to bring you an important bulletin from Moscow. Rafer Johnson, star athlete from the U. C. L. A., set a new world's record for the decathlon. . . ."

Man in the News

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Mrs. Johnson smiled, she was happy, but not terribly surprised. Nor was anyone else in Kingsburg taken by surprise. In that central California town, population 2,310 citizens, Rafer Lewis Johnson, 22, is regarded as a kind of Ulysses.

Snakes and Spiders

For the last five years the local sports writers have been trumpeting Johnson's athletic glory; so much has been written, been said, and been repeated that nowadays his claquers merely retain an assured calm when Johnson does it again.

Johnson's father, Lewis, a 6-foot 5-inch former railroad worker, said, "Ray [as he's called by close associates] sure is a nice boy. He was always a playful child; always wore a smile. Main thing about him was he liked a little joking, you know. He liked to buy those little rubber snakes, and spiders, and set them down at the breakfast table. He'd get me upset; he'd get a big kick out of that."

Rafer Johnson was born in Dallas, Tex., the second of six children (the first born, a girl, died) to Lewis and Elmer Johnson (Elmer's father wanted a boy, and gave his daughter a boy's name). Later she gained the nickname Dimples.

Boy Who Broke Bats

Rafer shifted with his parents from city to city as a boy, and syitched schools with the frequency of a career officer's children. His father was not entirely happy with his jobs, but a decade ago, when they moved to Kingsburg, they finally settled down.

"I recall Rafer as a grade school kid," said Benton Bowen, sports editor of The Kingsburg Recorder. "He was a fine sandlot baseball player, but we remembered him as a kid who broke bats. He hit the ball so hadr that he was forever breaking bats."

His sterling achievements as a high school athlete established him as a celebrity in Central California, and when he went to the University of California at Los Angeles he was a marked man.

Through all his success, Rafer Johnson has maintained a quiet, modest disposition. He is supposed to have never had a street fight as a child, and when asked by Bowen last month how he liked Russia's Vasily Kuznetsov, the man he beat yesterday, Johnson replied, "he's a nice fellow. All the athletes I've ever met have been nice fellows."

Johnson never says anything controversial, has no stern opinions about anything, and is not generally regarded as "good copy" by track reporters. Yet, everybody likes him. And, in school, he is extraordinarily intelligent. He is president of the U. C. L. A. student body, and maintains a close-to-A average. He wishes to become a dentist, having never had any trouble with dentists in his lifetime.

Quick to Learn

"Johnson picks up things faster and better than most athletes," said Coach Ducky Drake of U. C. L. A.'s track team. "You tell him what to do and he can do it immediately. A lot of kids are shy and look away when they're talking to you. Not Rafer. He is literate."

Injuries—mostly knee trouble—have plagued Johnson in his college years. He went to the Olympics in 1956 with an injured knee. Still he finished second in the decathlon to Milt Campbell.

Among the world's shot-putters, Johnson now is in a classless society: he is all alone at the top. He is a shot-putter who can also run 100 yards in 9.8 seconds; the 220 in 22 seconds; the 120-yard hurdles in 13.8 seconds, and the 220 low hurdles in 22.7.

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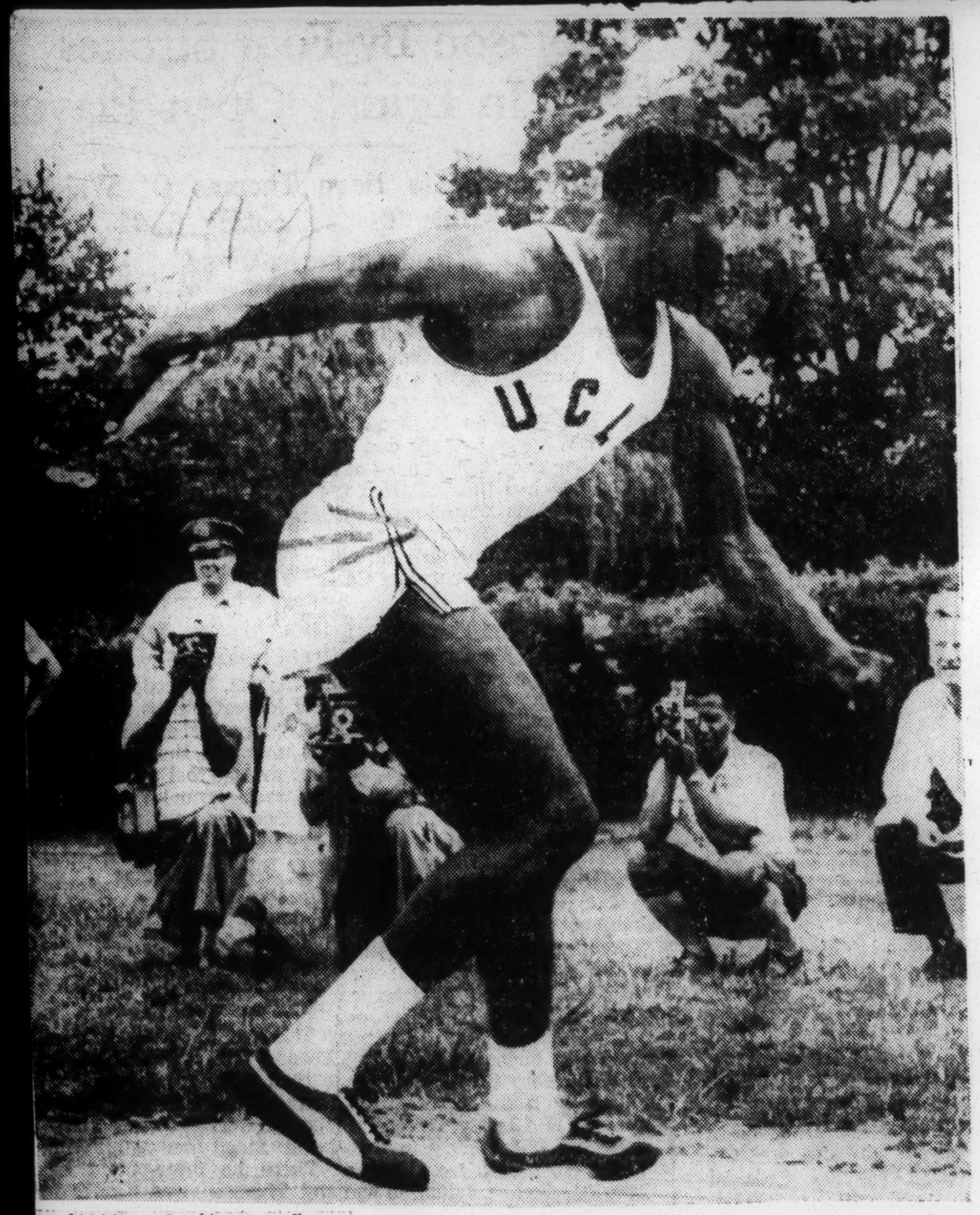

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The U. S. women who won their events today were Lucinda Williams of Bloomingdale, Ga., in the 200-meter dash (24.4), and Earlene Brown of Los Angeles, an unset winner in the shotput with a heave of 54 feet 3 inches.

One other world record was set, this one by a Russian. Oleg Ryakhovski set a new mark in the hop, step and jump with a performance of 54 feet 5 inches. He broke the listed mark of 54 feet 3.8 inches set by Brazil's Adamar Da Silva.

Eastment and Ferris were disposed to let the Russians have their claim, at least for home consumption, after two days of terrific rivalry and good sportsmanship. The meet culminated in as magnificent a reception for Johnson as the tired Negro youth could have hoped for in his own home town of Kingsburg, Calif.

Enthusiastic Russians poured out of the stands to mob Johnson as he tried to make his way to the dressing rooms with his gold medal.

"Zamedhatelno!" they shouted—meaning marvelous—as it was announced that Johnson had broken Vasili Kuznetsov's recently established world record of 8014 points by a staggering 288.

Rafer favored a bad knee in the American trials, but his performances over the two days awed the Russians, who had rated Kuznetsov the class of the world. However, the writing was on the stadium wall after the windup of the first five events yesterday when Johnson amassed 4529 points—the highest first day's total ever recorded.

In the ninth event today—the javelin—he uncorked a prodigious throw of 72.59 meters (238 feet 1.1 inches) and passed the world record with 8072 points—and one event still to go.

Probably no non-Communist American in recent history ever has received such acclaim from a Soviet crowd in the shadow of the Kremlin itself. In the dressing room, all Johnson could say was: "Boy, I'm tired, but I'm happy as hell."

Both the American and Russian coaches agreed Johnson's feat was one of the finest of all time. "It's my greatest sports thrill," said Eastment.

"Johnson's performance was as greatest to occur in the world in any sport," said Russian coach Gavril Korobkov.

Yuri Stepanov, who once gained fame, or notoriety, by using a platform sole to clear 7 feet in the high jump, proved himself the equal of anyone in the world even with conventional shoes by clearing 6 feet 11.4 inches to beat world recordholder Charlie Dumas.

Igor Kashkarov, the second of the Russian platform sole users, was runnerup. Before they jumped, U. S. coach Eastment examined their rather unusual footwear of one spiked shoe and one gum-soled sneaker.

There was only one mild incident. In the 400-meter relay the Russians complained that leadoff man Jack Yerman had infringed on their lane.

Eastment pointed out that according to the rules this complaint could stand only if the violation had affected the result.

But Yerman, followed by Courtney, Southern and Davis racked up a good 30-yard lead over the Russians and, after half an our of deliberation the Soviet complaint was disallowed. The American time was 3:07.0, the Russian 3:11.7—resulting from two bad passes on the third and fourth leg.

Davis' time for the 400-meter hurdles was only nine tenths of a second outside his own world record, but, in the words of Eastment, "Darn good time for a dead track."

The track, still fairly new, has been slowed by days of intermittent rain culminating in a downpour last night and today.

By MAX FRANKEL

Special to The New York Times.

MOSCOW, July 26—A crowd of more than 100,000 is expected in Lenin Stadium here tomorrow and Monday for the first dual track and field meet between the United States and the Soviet Union. If past performance counts for anything, the United States men's team and the Soviet women's squad should win their respective events. However, the Soviet hosts, over the objection of the United States, will also produce a tally of the scores by both sexes and the Russians are expected to win on that chart by a small margin.

George Eastment of Manhattan College, the head coach of the United States men's team, said today that his squad was in top form after a sore-throat scare. The squad is one of the best men's track teams assembled by the United States for any event and includes six of the United States' fourteen individual goald medal winners at the 1956 Olympic games.

U. S. Athletes 'Up'

"They're getting fidgety," said Eastment. "You know, 'Where are my sneakers?' 'The water tastes lousy!' and so on. That means they're up for this one."

The Soviet men's coach Gavriel Korobkov also expects the United States men's team to win. However, both the men's and women's Soviet squads were selected after nation-wide elimination tournaments that were concluded at the national championships only a week ago. Thus the Soviet Union has chosen its best entries for each event with an eye on present conditions instead of past performance. None of the three Soviet individual Olympic winners is on the host team.

A good number of close events and some surprises are expected both ways. The United States women's coach, Ed Temple of Tennessee State University, warned that his girls should not be underrated.

The American men's team includes seven world recordholders. They are Ira Murchison in the 100-meter dash, Tom Courtney, who holds the record for 880 yards and will run here in the 800 meters; Ansel Robinson, who holds the record for the 220-yard low hurdles and will race here in the 110-meter hurdles; Glenn Davis who holds the listed world record in the 400-meter hurdles; Charles Dumas, the record high jumper; Parry O'Brien, who holds the world record in the shot-put, and Rafer Johnson, the listed record holder in the decathlon. Vasili Kuznetsov of the Soviet Union has applied for a new record in the decathlon and Davis' hurdles record was beaten by Gerhardus Potgieter of South Africa in the British Empire games.

O'Brien was the first man in the world to put the shot more than 63 feet. Dumas was the first to high jump over 7 feet without built-up shoes. Two Soviet entrants, Yuri Stepanov and Igor Kashkarov, have both cleared that mark with the special sponge-inset shoes. But these shoes have been outlawed for international competition and will not be used by the Russians in this meet.

O'Brien Has Sore Throat

A half-dozen cases of sore throat threatened during the week to wreck the United States men's chances. By this morning, however, all except O'Brien had recovered completely. The shot-putter was reported much improved after receiving a penicillin injection.

Among the ill athletes were James Brewer, a pole vaulter; Jack Yerman, a relay runner, and Courtney. Courtney took a light workout this afternoon and apparently is all right.

The United States men expect most difficulty in the distance runs, the 5,000 meter, the 10,000 meter and the 3,000 meter steeplechase, in the hop, step and jump, the javelin throw and the 20-kilometer walk.

They expect to win the sprints, the 400 and 800-meters, the hurdles, broad jump, shot-put, discus and relays.

The closest contests are expected in the 1,500-meter race, the high jump, pole vault, hammer throw and decathlon.

Women's Team Key to Meet

If Coach Temple's optimism is to be justified, the American women will have to show strongly in the sprints, the relay and the broad jump. Mrs. Earlene Brown, a shot-putter, may score a surprise victory. She achieved 50 feet for the first time in her life a week ago and has improved on that steadily in daily work-outs.

In the 1956 Olympics, the American women did better than expected, but still lost by a wide margin to the Russians. They will have to close the gap if the combined men's and women's totals are to give the United States a meet victory here.

Each national team will enter two contestants in each of twenty-two events for men and ten events for women. First place will earn 5 points, second place 3, third place 2 and fourth place 1. In relays, the winning team will get 5 points and the losers 3.

Edward Collymore and Davis will each be entered in three events. Collymore will compete in the 100 and 200-meter sprints and in the 400-meter relay. Davis will run in the 400 meters, the 400-meter hurdles and the 1,600-meter relay.

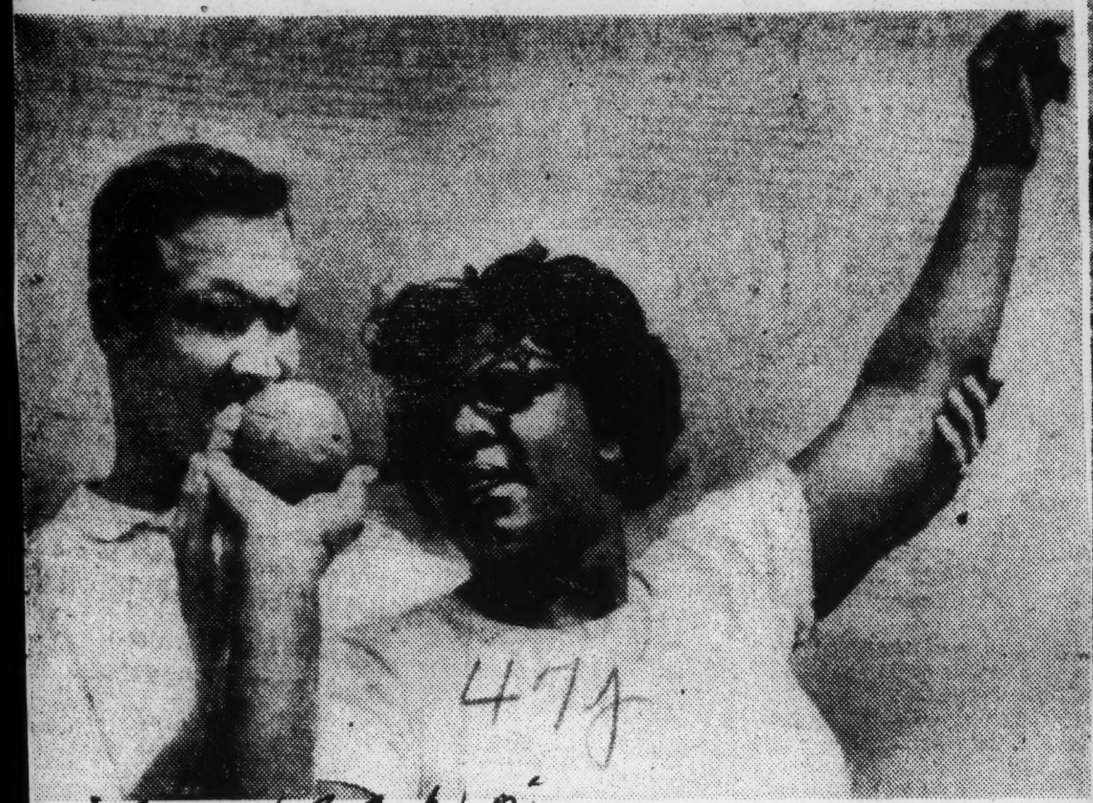
The Americans have expressed satisfaction with the accommodations and food here. They have only high praise for the huge Lenin Stadium's sports compound in which the Soviet Union hopes some day to be host to the Olympic Games.

The United States teams arrived before dawn on Tuesday and have had good weather for daily work-outs. They think the track is fast and expect the meet to produce some new records.

The Soviet track and field stars will return the Americans' visit next July. They are scheduled to meet American teams in Philadelphia. United States officials hope the Russians also

will agree to meet in Chicago and San Francisco.

100,000 to See U. S.-Russian Track Meet Today



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Mrs. Earlene Brown of Los Angeles is advised on form by Parry O'Brien of Palm Springs, Calif., world's shot-put champion, in practice in Moscow for meet starting today.

TICKETED FOR RUSSIA -- Ira Murchison of Western Michigan, along with Ernie Shelby and Charley Tidewell of Kansas University are three of the top U. S. track stars named to the A.A.U. team to tour Russia this summer for track competition. Murchison is a 100 meter star; Shelby broad jumps and Tidewell is a low hurdles specialist. They were picked after winning their events in the recent A.A.U. track meet at Berkeley, California.

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Moscow's Hero

He had just whipped Soviet Decathlon Hero Vasily Kuznetsov, but the husky U.S. Negro got a brotherly buss from the loser and a tremendous roar of approval from the 30,000 fans, as he mounted the winner's platform in Moscow's Lenin Stadium and smilingly held a bouquet of flowers aloft in triumph. Rafer Lewis Johnson, 22, of Kingsburg, Calif. had treated appreciative Muscovites to one of the greatest individual performances in track and field history. He had amassed a world-record 8,302 points in the rugged decathlon*—considered by many the toughest test of human endurance ever devised in sport. Russian men and women edged the U.S. 172-170 in their dual meet last week, and Soviet papers duly hailed the feat, but Rafe Johnson was the big hero. Said Moscow's *Trud* of his performance: "It will dignify the history of world athletic records for a long time to come."

"I'm Gonna Win." To beat the muscular Kuznetsov, Rafe Johnson had to better his best, since only ten weeks ago Kuznetsov had scored 8,013—28 points better than Johnson's own world-record 7,985. The Russians shortened the interval between events from half an hour to 20 minutes, but it bothered Rafe not a bit. "I like the interval even shorter," he said, "only about five or ten minutes to catch my breath." With the event half over, Rafe was grimly confident that he could hold the slim lead he had built, despite the fact that on past performance Kuznetsov was favored in three of the final five events. "I'm gonna win," Rafe insisted. "I got to."

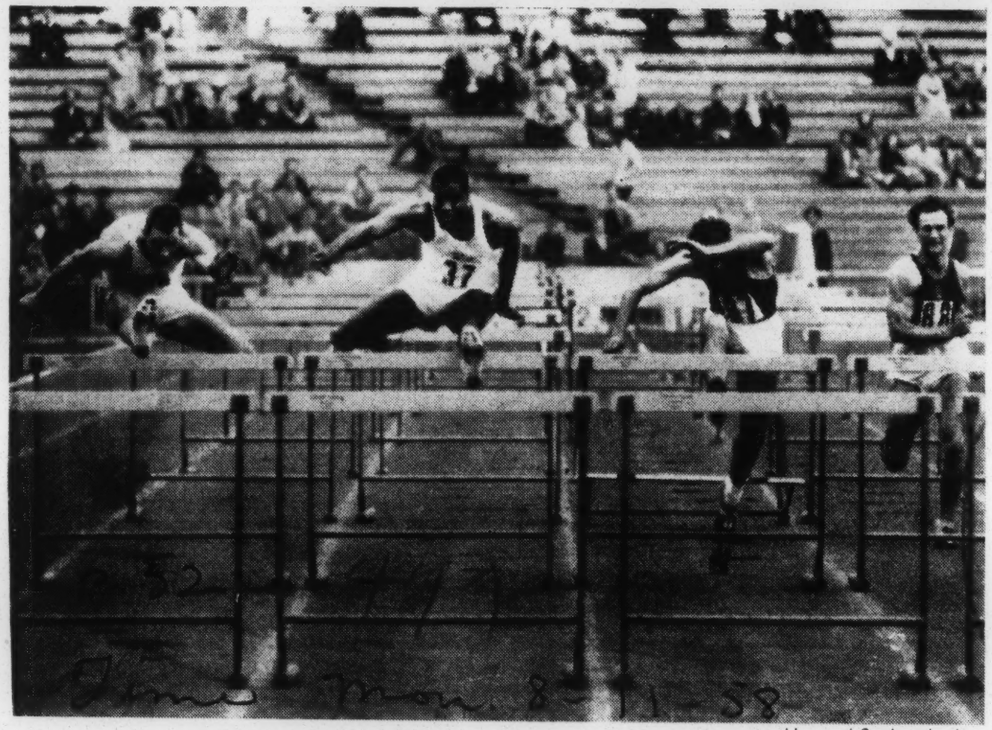
Johnson increased his margin with a second in the hurdles, as Kuznetsov finished third. He won the discus, lost some ground when Kuznetsov edged him for second in the pole vault. Then Rafe uncorked a prodigious heave of 238 ft. 1⅞ in. for an easy triumph in the javelin, to sew it up. His winning margin was better than 400 points.

Back home in Kingsburg (pop. 23,000), Rafe's parents smiled happily when the local radio station interrupted a music program to announce his victory. But none of the town's inhabitants were very surprised. To the home-town folks, Johnson is a Samson, Paul Bunyan and Frank Merriwell rolled into one. His smoothly muscled build (6 ft. 3 in., 200 lbs.) casts him in the mold of Jim Thorpe and Bob Mathias, great Olympic decathlon champions of the past. In high school he captained the track, basketball and football teams, is still remembered as a good infielder on the baseball sandlots and a powerful hitter.

Good As Any. But Rafe did not take the decathlon seriously until 1952, when he went to nearby Tulare, Calif. to see Mathias win the Olympic decathlon trials, decided he was as good as or better than most of the contestants.

Entering U.C.L.A. in 1954, Johnson worked hard for Track Coach "Ducky" Drake, and improved quickly. "Johnson picks up things faster and better than most athletes," says Drake. "You tell him what to do and he can do it immediately." Rafe made the Olympic team in 1956, managed to finish second to Indiana's Milt Campbell in the decathlon, despite an injured left knee that still bothers him in the pole vault and broad jump. Since the Olympics, no one has beaten him in the decathlon. Now that his track eligibility has run out at U.C.L.A., Rafe plans to go out for basketball. Popular on the campus and widely respected, he is head of the U.C.L.A. student body, maintains a near-honors average in his studies, intends to take postgraduate training to get a degree in dentistry. Ahead on his track schedule: the Pan American Games in 1959, the Olympics and a rematch with Kuznetsov in 1960.

* Consisting of ten events: 100-meter dash, broad jump, shotput, 400-meter run, high jump, 110-meter high hurdles, discus, pole vault, javelin, 1,500-meter run. It is scored by awarding points on the basis of 1,000 points for equaling a specified "par" figure for each event. Performances greater or lesser than par are graded proportionately higher or lower than 1,000. Par figures are set and revised periodically by the International Amateur Athletic Federation.



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DECATHLON CHAMPION JOHNSON (37) IN MOSCOW
At home, no surprise.

Tuskegee Relays Set For May 2-3, H. S. Are Included

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala. — Scores of outstanding track and field athletes in colleges and high schools, men and women, will come to the campus for the 32nd annual Tuskegee Relays and the 30th annual Women's Sports Day, to be held in the Alumni Bowl, Friday and Saturday, May 2 and 3. The widely known Tuskegee relays carnival was inaugurated 32 years ago by Cleve L. Abbott, former director of athletics here in the Institute.

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In the college division entries have been received from all member institutions in the Southern Conference; which includes Fisk University, Nashville; LeMoyne College, Memphis; Lane College, Jackson, Tenn., Knoxville College, Knoxville; Morehouse College, Morris Brown College, Clark College, Atlanta; Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, Ga., South Carolina State College, Orangeburg; Allen University, Benedict College, Columbia; Florida A&M University, Tallahassee; Bethune-Cookman College, Daytona Beach, Fla., Xavier University, New Orleans; Alabama A&M College, Normal; Alabama State College, Montgomery and Tuskegee Institute.

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Entries have also been received from Prairie View State College, Texas Southern University, Southern University, Dillard University, Bishop College, Tennessee State University, Savannah State College, Albany State College, Philander-Smith College, Wiley College, Alcorn College and Edward Waters College.

Kansas City

High schools in Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, Louisiana, Arkansas, Kentucky, North Carolina, and South Carolina have entered teams for participation. The Army is sending several outstanding performers to take part in the special events.

The Clarence Matthews Memorial One Hundred continues to attract a large number of entries. The Tuskegee competitor is Huel Young who has consistently been clocked in at 9.8. Charles Bivens of Morris Brown College will again be entered in the Memorial One Hundred.

The Moton Mile honors the memory of the late Dr. Robert R. Moton who for more than 18 years served as President of Tuskegee Institute. The Moton Mile is regarded as a blue chip event and attracts a large field of strong competitors. Twenty-two institutions have entered contestants in the mile run. The Moton Mile was won last year by Lloyd Jeff of Xavier University of New Orleans. He was checked in at 4:26. Tuskegee Institute will enter two competitors in this event. They are All Seals and Bernard Lomax.

The handsome Allen W. Gambrell trophy contributed by Mr. Clarence Johnson of Chicago, will be sought by teams from Xavier University, Morehouse College, Prairie View State University, Texas Southern University, Knoxville College, South Carolina State College, Florida A&M University, Alabama State College and Tuskegee Institute. The fast stepping quartet from Xavier University won the Gambrell trophy last year and the year before.

A lively interest is centered in the special events, Dr. Edward L. Jackson, Director of the Department of Physical Education and Athletics at Tuskegee, noted while going over the entry lists. Dr. Jackson is also director of the relays. Contestants have filed for the pole vault, high jump, running broad jump, the discus, the javelin and the shot put. Competition is expected to be exceedingly keen in each of these events.

Entry lists have been received from the following high schools: Beach High, Savannah; Booker Washington, Atlanta, Miami and Blakeley, Ga., Carver High, Atlanta, Jakin, Ga., Howard High, Atlanta, Central High, Mobile, Alabama and Newnan, Ga., Dardan High, Opelika, Howard High, Chattanooga, Cobb High, Anniston and Tuskegee Institute High, Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

Ross C. Owen, manager of the relays, said activities will start Friday morning, May 2, when the women of the junior and senior divisions open the two-day attraction.